



PHOTO BY LAYNE LITSINGER

A group of people carve pumpkins at the Pumpkin Festival on Friday, October 27, in Roosevelt Center.

## Pumpkin Festival Brings Fun And Protects Forest Preserve

by Layne Litsinger

The 29th annual Pumpkin Festival on Friday and Saturday, October 27 and 28 was a special event for the community.

The festival, which featured pumpkin painting, pumpkin carving, a magic show act and balloon animals, live music from local bands and a lighted forest pumpkin walk, offered tons of fun and Halloween-themed activities.

"It's a very nice night for the event. The pumpkins all get hidden for the walk tomorrow and everyone walks in their costumes on Monday," said attendee Mary Ann Baker.

The pumpkin painting and carving occurred Friday from 4 to 6 p.m. at Roosevelt Center.

After attendees finished with their pumpkins, they left them for event organizers to transport to the forest for the pumpkin walk. The walk occurred Saturday evening, and attendees could see their pumpkins as well as hundreds of other jack-o'-lanterns lit up along the trails in the forest.

Amy Knesel, this year's organizer, talked about how popular the festival is and how it plays an important role in protecting the Forest Preserve, as the forest is highly valued in the community.

"[We] usually have 250 pumpkins for carving and everyone carves their pumpkins, then

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## New Deal Chef Carrie's Cool Culinary Creation: The Croak

by Cathie Meetre

The New Deal Café's recently hired executive chef, Carrie Megginson, was only installed a few weeks ago but she's already making an impact. She is keen to retool the Café's restaurant business so that it becomes the neighborhood go-to place for a delicious, informal meal. Megginson is aiming for conscientious

cooking, quick friendly service, quality ingredients, reasonable prices and a mix of original presentations and old favorites. She is committed to a judiciously selected menu with breadth and tastiness at a price a canny Greenbelter sees as good value.

The News Review will bring speakers to the New Deal for dinner on November 16 before the 7:30 p.m. Old Greenbelt Theatre showing of *Defending Utopia: The Greenbelt News Review at 80*. The Café will offer a discount on dinner with tickets to the show. To celebrate, the chef will present some new specials for the paper's 80th birthday, including her own take on the French country classic, Chou-Rouge Landais, a tangy and warming red cabbage casserole studded with sausage medallions in a warming and satisfying but not-too-heavy meal.

Join in the fun – an early start is recommended – in a triple

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PHOTO BY CATHIE MEETRE

The New Deal's Chef Carrie, standing in front of the chalkboard advertising the Croak, brings a new and sustainable vibe to the Café.

### Election 2017

## Last Forum Asks Candidates Thought-provoking Questions

by Kathleen Gallagher

Once it got revved, the Candidate Forum for a Progressive Greenbelt at the Community Center on October 22 rolled on like a well-oiled machine. With one emcee (resident Lois Rosado), two moderators (June White Dillard, former president of the NAACP of Prince George's County, and Patrick McGann, director of strategy and planning for the D.C. based organization Men Can Stop Rape) and 12 sponsoring organizations, they were prepared for anything.

Upwards of 70 people attended. All of this year's candidates for the Greenbelt City Council participated except for incumbent Edward Putens, who was unable to attend. This was the last forum prior to the election on Tuesday, November 7, though a last candidate "meet and greet" was held on October 26 at Greenbelt Station.

The organizers sent 17 questions to the candidates in advance with the instruction that eight questions would be asked of all candidates at the forum, with one minute allowed to each for response. For the eighth question and last round, candidates were given two minutes to respond to a question that had not been asked at the forum.

The 12 participating candidates sat across the end of the room in reverse ballot order, from left to right: Susan Stewart, Brandon (Ric) Gordon, Emmett Jordan, Danielle (Li'l Dan) Celdran, Aaron Marcavitch, Judith (J) Davis, Rodney Roberts, Leta Mach, William (Bill) Orleans, George Boyce, Colin Byrd and Silke Pope. Of those, five are incumbents: Davis, Jordan, Mach, Pope and Roberts. Each candidate had a microphone that actually worked, thus overcoming the usually daunting acoustics of the Multipurpose Room.

### Accessibility

**If elected, what specific policy/program will you champion to create an equitable and accessible Greenbelt?**

Answers on this question varied widely, though there was no disagreement as such. Pope started, emphasizing bringing the city together with better transportation, starting with a circulator bus and dealing later with public transportation. Byrd mentioned accessibility for older residents and a need for a good replacement for the Greenbelt Connection. He also stressed equity of resources for East and West Greenbelt, as well as for different racial and cultural groups. Boyce said what this question brought to mind for him was a petition to council some time ago

from Michael Hartman that there should be a city council advisory group charged to look at issues of diversity and fairness to all residents.

Orleans said although he is a strong supporter of a new connector bus, he thinks "equity and access" involve much more than transportation and he would like to see greater access to city services and particularly to participation in council meetings.

Mach said she would continue to try to establish equity for the new residents of Greenbelt Station to send their children to Greenbelt schools. Without that access, they will not be getting the full benefit of what Greenbelt provides to the other children who are city residents. Roberts said this question made him think back to a 1989 study on recreational facilities that determined recreation opportunities to be more abundant in center city than elsewhere, with no ballfields in Greenbelt West. When he had the opportunity to finish his response at the end of the forum, he said the inequities are still there and that he would like to see council use Program Open Space money for fields on land in that part of town.

Davis said she agreed with many of the suggestions that had been made and would like to see greater emphasis on seeing that meetings, events and classes are held in all parts of the city.

Marcavitch said he would first expand the definition to include access to a healthy and sustainable way of living that would include environmental justice. Celdran said her approach would always be to study and understand the issue in order to find a solution that was compatible with her values and principles.

Jordan said he thinks there may be 10 or 12 Greenbelts to unite, not just three, and that his primary concern would be the equitable distribution of recreational and public safety resources to all the neighborhoods of Greenbelt.

Gordon said he would, if elected, appoint representatives to focus on constituent services to assure equitable distribution of

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resources. He also strongly favors a circulator bus. Stewart provided the last answer and closed by saying "equitable" means different things to different people but to her it meant access by all residents to a good, fun, safe place to live and work. It concerns her that when people oppose raising taxes, they are expressing an unwillingness to treat others equitably.

### ICE Detainers

**U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) - According to Acting Police Chief Thomas Kemp, the Police Department has had interactions with ICE at least 12 times since 2010 and has been involved in detention and handover to ICE of at least six individuals during that time. The city has no published policy governing interactions with ICE. Do you support publishing a city policy?**

Candidates disagreed with each other on this question, which was not whether the city should have a policy but whether it should be published and

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## Polling Locations And Hours

Voting will take place from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7 at the following polling places:

Precinct 3: Center Greenbelt Community Center 15 Crescent Road

Precinct 6: North End Greenbelt Police Department 550 Crescent Road

Precinct 8: Greenbelt West Franklin Park/Greenbelt Station Springhill Lake Rec. Center 6101 Cherrywood Lane

Precinct 13: Greenbelt East North Greenbriar Community Bldg. 7600 Hanover Parkway

Precinct 18: Greenbelt East South Schrom Hills Park 6915 Hanover Parkway

## What Goes On

**Sunday, November 5 1 to 3 p.m., Community Art Drop-In, Community Center** (See city ad for more information.)

**Tuesday, November 7 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., City Election**



Election 2017

Biographies of Candidates

Thirteen candidates are certified for the Greenbelt City Council election by City Clerk Bonita Anderson. These shortened biographies are prepared by the candidates.

Susan Stewart



PHOTO BY HAO-LAN CHAI

Ric Gordon



PHOTO COURTESY OF RIC GORDON

Susan Stewart was born in Washington, D.C. in 1975 and raised in Maryland. Susan graduated second in her class at Albert Einstein HS in Kensington and holds a Bachelor of Music degree in violin performance from James Madison University and a Master of Music degree in violin performance from the University of Notre Dame on full scholarship. In 2006 she moved with her husband and son to Greenbelt. As a stay-at-home mother Susan worked as a community activist focusing on progressive and environmental issues. Over the years, she contributed her time as a citizen activist on civil marriage, LGBT equality, healthcare reform, ending poverty, preventing climate change, advocating for peace, ending corruption and protecting the environment. Susan has served on the Executive Committee for the Prince George’s Sierra Club for 6 years. She has testified and lobbied on several issues including fracking in Maryland, LNG exports and the TPP. She has been an active volunteer for local groups such as the Greenbelt Farmer’s Market and the PTA.

Ric Gordon Born Brandon Ricardo (Ric) Gordon on September 19, 1982 in Prince George’s County, Gordon, grew up in Capitol Heights and attended Prince George’s County Public Schools. As a child Gordon always loved politics. He attended Morris College in Sumter, S.C., where he served as a student member of the college board of trustees and president of the student government association. In 2004, Gordon obtained a B.A. in political science/pre-law with a minor in psychology. He furthered his education in various graduate studies and has worked in the private sector since 2004. In 2016 he founded and served as the senior partner and president of the Gordon Group Political Consulting Firm. He has been involved politically in Prince George’s County since 2008. Gordon was the co-founder, of The Boys to Men male mentoring group with Minister Obrien Wimbish, helping prepare minority male youth with job and college skills. Gordon is a lifelong member of the Little David Baptist Church, a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and a Prince Hall Mason of Warren Lodge #8 in Washington, D.C. Gordon currently serves on the Greenbelt Park and Recreation Advisory Board and is a member of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club. Gordon lives in Franklin Park townhomes with his fiancée, Janet Scott, and their two dogs, Nix and Beau.

Emmett Jordan Emmett V. Jordan is a member of the Greenbelt City Council, serving in his second term as mayor. In 2009, he became the first and only African-American councilmember in the City’s 80-year history. A Greenbelt resident for 17 years, Jordan relocated here to work with the University of Maryland in 1998. Originally from Cincinnati, Ohio, he studied liberal arts at Morehouse College and at the University of

On Screen

Refugees and Chimps

Two documentaries come to Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday, November 3: Human Flow and Jane.

Human Flow is the muckraking Chinese director Ai Weiwei’s bleak, tender, fierce indictment of the global migrant crisis, its “terrifying world-swallowing immensity,” as one critic puts it. War, famine and climate change have displaced over 65 million refugees, more than at any time in history and Weiwei’s camera visits Pakistan, Gaza, Kenya, Malaysia and our own Mexico-USA border.

Rating: PG 13

Running time: 2 hours, 20 min

Drawn from over 100 hours of hitherto unused footage from the National Geographic archives, Jane depicts the pathbreaking research on chimpanzee behavior conducted by Jane Goodall. Many male scientists challenged her findings, but her cameraman husband Hugo van Lawick was not among them.

Director and Writer: Brett Morgen

Music by Philip Glass

Rating: PG

Running time: 90 min

- Jim Link

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In an election year, the News Review will not print a letter raising a new issue the week prior to election day, when no other party would have a chance to respond.

Watch City Council Candidates Online

A series of online video introductions to candidates who are running for Greenbelt City Council on November 7 is currently available. Candidates were asked to prepare a three-minute overview of their platform. To watch, go to [youtube.com/watch?v=EiNStMQRUww&list=PLcJPNwb38B1bOY-x3Xgb7aVXkTFUWcz6M](https://youtube.com/watch?v=EiNStMQRUww&list=PLcJPNwb38B1bOY-x3Xgb7aVXkTFUWcz6M).



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Adults \$9, Senior/Student \$8, Members \$6.50, Kids \$6  
All shows before 5 PM:  
Adults \$7, Members \$6.50, Kids \$5  
OC = Open Captions  
CC = Closed Captions

SHOWTIMES

Nov 3rd - Nov 7th

JANE  
(PG) (90 mins)  
Fri. 5:15 PM  
Sat. 5:15 PM  
(Guest Speaker!)  
Sun. - Thurs. 5:15 PM

HUMAN FLOW  
(PG-13) (CC) (140 mins)  
(subtitled in English)  
Fri. - Sun. 2:30, 7:45 PM  
Tues. 7:45 PM  
Wed. 2:30, 7:45 PM  
Thurs. 7:45 PM

Monday Matinee Series:  
THE QUIET MAN  
(G) (129 mins) (1952)  
Mon. 1:00 PM

Miyazaki Monday Series:  
KIKI'S DELIVERY SERVICE  
(G) (103 mins) (1989)  
Mon. 8:00 PM

The Old Curmudgeon



“Ghosts are passé . . . politicians are scary!”

- News Review, October 23, 2003

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# Community Events

## Greenbelt Community Free Art Drop-In

The Greenbelt Recreation Department Arts Program invites guests of all ages to attend a free Community Art Drop-In workshop with Kathy Karlson on Sunday, November 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. Attendees will combine objects and paint in a mixed media collage, inspired by artists Robert Rauschenberg and Arthur Dove. This program will be held in Room 113 of the Community Center. All materials will be provided. No reservations are needed.

While visiting, enjoy the Greenbelt Museum’s current Community Center exhibit, The Knowing Hands that Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus. Straus is best known locally as the creator of the iconic Mother and Child statue in Roosevelt Center and the impressive bas reliefs on the Community Center façade. The Museum’s historic house located across the street at 10-B Crescent Road will be open for tours from 1 to 5 p.m. (there is a small fee). For more information about City of Greenbelt art programs, visit [greenbeltmd.gov/arts](http://greenbeltmd.gov/arts) and follow Greenbelt Recreation ARTS on Facebook. Arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

## GCF Annual Meeting At Legion on Nov. 12

Greenbelt Community Foundation (GCF) invites the public to celebrate its work and contribution to the City of Greenbelt on Sunday, November 12 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Greenbelt American Legion, Post 136. The theme is All in with GCF.

Goals for this event are to continue fostering the mantra of One Greenbelt, to conduct a pledge drive, to interest participants in becoming GCF volunteers for three committees and to hear what the first grantees and current grantees have experienced as a result of their involvement with the foundation.

This annual meeting is open to the public with the hope of attracting new residents of Greenbelt who may not be aware of the work that the GCF has done to enhance the quality of life in the city during the past 11 years.

Light refreshments will be served.

## City Notes

Animal Control staff reports two dogs were abandoned at the police station, two stray dogs were impounded, one stray cat was brought into the shelter and one bird was freed from a bird feeder.

Public Works staff met with Zero-waste members to discuss the progress of a three-bin composting system.

Horticulture/Parks staff partnered with Eagle Scouts to install pollinator gardens at Buddy Attack Park.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability staff helped collect pumpkins for composting after the Pumpkin Festival and Walk.

More Community Events  
are located throughout the paper.

## GHI Notes

Thursday, November 2, 10 a.m., Storm Water Management Task Force Meeting, Board Room;

2:30 p.m., Zoning Task Force Meeting w/Chad Williams, Board Room;

7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room.

Friday, November 3, office closed. For emergency maintenance service, call 301-474-6011.

Monday, November 6, 7 p.m., Zoning Task Force Meeting, Board Room.

Tuesday, November 7, 7 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room; 6:30 p.m., I.T. Task Force Meeting, GHI Kitchen.

Wednesday, November 8, 7 p.m., Member Outreach Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby.

7:30 p.m., Architectural Review Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Thursday, November 9, 7 to 9 p.m., Town Hall Membership Meeting, Greenbelt Fire Department.

Friday, November 10, office closed (Veteran’s Day). For emergency maintenance service, call 301-474-6011.

Sunday, November 12, 2 to 4 p.m., Town Hall Membership Meeting, Greenbelt Fire Department.

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, Ext. 4215.

All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. The menu for the week of November 6 is as follows:

Monday, November 6: Fiesta chicken, cilantro lime rice, Mexicali vegetables, wheat bread, diced pears, orange juice.

Tuesday, November 7: Site closed for Election Day.

Wednesday, November 8: BBQ beef rib patty with BBQ sauce, baked beans, broccoli, wheat hamburger bun, mandarin oranges, apple juice.

Thursday, November 9: Cheese omelet with picante sauce, O’Brien potatoes, spinach, English muffin with jelly, tropical fruit, grape juice.

Friday, November 10: Site closed for Veteran’s Day.

## Exploring Yoga Nidra

Explorations Unlimited welcomes Greenbelt resident Laura Bonkosky on Friday, November 3. Bonkosky will lead participants in some Yoga Nidra, a guided meditation that is accessible to everyone. No prior meditation or yoga experience is required. Participants will be systematically guided through setting intentions; exploring the body, breath, mind and senses; and cultivating a sense of joy and well-being. Yoga Nidra is usually practiced lying down, so bring a mat, a blanket and a pillow or bolster and dress in comfortable, loose clothing. For those who would prefer not to practice lying down, chairs will be available.

Bonkosky has taught yoga and meditation in and around Greenbelt for over 10 years. She currently offers classes through the Greenbelt Recreation Department and will offer a class through SAGE that combines gentle yoga and yoga nidra beginning on November 30.

Explorations Unlimited is held on Fridays beginning at 1 p.m. at the Community Center. This presentation will be held in Room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

## MakerSpace Activites

Thursday, November 2, Coder Dojo (kids) from 5 to 6:30 p.m., Gadget Workshop from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Coder Projects (adults) from 8:30 to 10 p.m.

Friday, November 3, First Friday Game Night from 6 to 9 p.m.

Saturday, November 4, FLL Team 3 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 5, Animation from 2 to 4 p.m.

Monday, November 6, FLL Team 1 from 5 to 6:30 p.m., Teacher Meetup from 7 to 9 p.m.

Tuesday, November 7, FLL Team 2 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and Labradoodles from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, November 8, Fiber Fans from 6 to 9 p.m.

## Computer Club Meets

The Greenbelt Computer Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, November 9 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Room 112 of the Community Center. Everyone is welcome to discussions about the latest in computers, tablets and consumer electronics. Basic troubleshooting advice for Windows computers and some for Apple iPad and iPhone is available.

## Community Church Has Spaghetti Dinner

On Saturday, November 4 from 6 to 9 p.m. Greenbelt Community Church will host its fall fundraiser. This year’s event will change things up a bit from the traditional fall bazaar. A spaghetti dinner, featuring the Fominaya family recipe for spaghetti sauce, will accompany the traditional auction that the church hosts every year. After dinner festivities include an evening of entertainment and an auction.

“We thought we would try something new this year but we wanted to keep the auction since that is a local favorite,” said Keith Johnson, chair of the committee responsible for hosting the event. Local musicians will play during the dinner and offer their services for bidding at the auction. Rick Ransom and Keith Johnson, Tom Davey, Susan Breon and Betty Ladas are all scheduled to perform during the dinner. The entertainment for the evening will also include karaoke and guest speakers.

Traditional auction items such as local merchant certificates and services will still be available for bidding. Feedback is appreciated on the new format.

## Special STEM Star Party November 4

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt and the Goddard Astronomy Club will co-host a special star party, a Maryland STEM Festival event, for schoolchildren in kindergarten through 12th grade and accompanying adults, on Saturday, November 4 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Observatory located at Northway Fields. Attendees will view the Moon, Saturn and other celestial objects through a number of telescopes. An astronomical camera will be mounted on the Observatory telescope for more sensitive viewing of deep sky objects, such as galaxies, nebulae and star clusters. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

## MAGLEV Train Community Meeting

Maryland state delegate Alonzo T. Washington will host a community meeting to discuss the MAGLEV high-speed train proposal on Thursday, November 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Parkdale High School (6001 Good Luck Road in Riverdale). Two of the possible proposed routes run through Greenbelt. Washington invites community members to express their concerns, including those about the proposed routes, the potential environmental impacts and the cost of construction. Information about the MAGLEV proposal, including potential routes, can be found at [bwmaglev.info/](http://bwmaglev.info/).

## GES Open House

Greenbelt Elementary School will hold an Open House on Wednesday, November 15 at 9:30 a.m. for parents interested in touring the school, hearing from administration members and current parents.

## BARK Bake Sale

The BARK Bake Sale will be held Friday, November 17 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Greenbelt Co-op Grocery Store ramp. Home-baked goods will be available for humans and pets. Donations are welcome and will benefit WAGS Greenbelt Animal Shelter. Event hosted by Greenbelt Homeschoolers.

## Arts Advisory Board Meets November 7

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, November 7 at 7 p.m. in Room 112 at the Community Center. Issues on the agenda include a second reading of proposed changes to the bylaws and response to a petition to establish a Greenbelt Arts Council based on the City of Laurel’s Ordinance 1908. For additional information, contact Nicole DeWald, staff liaison, at [ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov) or 301-397-2208.

## Greenbelt Arts Center DON'T MISS

### BEAU JEST



by James Sherman  
Directed by Norma Ozur

November 3, 4, 10, 11, at 8PM  
Sunday Matinees: November 5 at 2PM

Ticket prices: \$22 General Admission, \$20 Students/Seniors/Military,  
\$12 Youth (12 and under with adult)

### COMING SOON

Greenbelt Arts Center Annual Meeting – November 5 at 5 pm  
The Wizard of Oz – Nov 24 - Dec 17 - Directed by Jon Gardner  
Almost, Maine – Jan 26– Feb 17, 2018 - Executive Directed by Bob Kleinberg

For information & reservations, call 301-441-8770 or  
email: [info@greenbeltartscenter.org](mailto:info@greenbeltartscenter.org) or  
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**CORRECTION:** In a recent mailing, the impact to taxes, if needed, was incorrectly stated as \$.075 per \$100 of assessed value. It should have stated **\$0.0075, or 3/4 of one cent** per \$100 of assessed value (e.g. a \$15.00 increase on a house assessed at \$200,000) **WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE ERROR.**



# Maglev, Beltway Expansion Positions Mulled by 4 Cities

by Maria Herd

The Four Cities Coalition, (New Carrollton, College Park, Berwyn Heights and Greenbelt) discussed signing joint letters on various controversial transportation issues Wednesday at the Greenbelt Municipal Center.

One letter would express opposition to the Superconducting Maglev (SCMaglev) train proposal, a plan to build a high speed magnetic levitation train connecting Baltimore and Washington, D.C. The project is undergoing an environmental review to choose one of three proposed routes or the no-build option. Two of the three proposed routes go directly through Greenbelt.

The Greenbelt City Council signed a letter addressed to the Maryland Transit Administration, opposing the train on Tuesday, October 24. "This project will not in any way benefit Greenbelt residents or any of the communities and neighborhoods along the proposed routes," states the letter.

Representatives from Berwyn Heights and College Park both said that they need to discuss signing on to a letter opposing the SCMaglev train at their upcoming city council meetings.

The city leaders also discussed signing a coalition letter against the proposed widening of the Maryland portion of the Capital Beltway that would add two lanes in each direction from the American Legion Memorial Bridge to the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge. The Greenbelt City Council signed a letter opposing the expansion, dated October 23 and addressed to the governor's office.

"The impact that the proposed highway widening projects will have on the natural, socioeconomic, cultural and built environments is unacceptable," states the council's letter.

Councilmember Leta Mach expressed frustration at the meeting that the 2012 federal study on widening the Baltimore-Washington Parkway is being ignored, which concluded that traffic congestion would be consistent with what it is today if the Beltway were to be expanded.

"The study said it is going to be extremely expensive, tear

down all these bridges to widen it and impact the neighborhoods. And at the end, it would be no better. What a waste of money. I can't think of anything that irritates me more," she said.

The city's letter also notes that the Parkway shouldn't be altered since it is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. To transfer the segment owned by the National Park Service to the State of Maryland "will threaten its historic designation" and most likely result in "destroying its scenic and parkway setting."

Instead, the council suggests using resources to expand and improve the MARC train routes.

"I personally agree with both of the letters," said New Carrollton Councilmember Katrina Dodro, opposing both the SC-MAGLEV and Beltway expansion.

One letter that the mayors of the four cities have currently signed onto as a draft, requests funding from Maryland Department of Transportation for safety improvements on U.S. Route 1 at the I-495 interchange.

"We all probably know that intersection is kind of a mess," said College Park Mayor Patrick Wojahn at the meeting. "There are a lot of roads coming together, it gets backed up and it really needs some attention."

"As designed, the intersection is confusing when there is light traffic and exasperating during peak periods when large numbers of cars exit from I-495 onto the already heavily congested U.S. 1," states the letter. "This failed intersection is a serious safety concern for the area and an impediment to the growth of the U.S. 1 corridor."

The letter notes that the area

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## Obituaries

### Thelma Louise Kennedy

Longtime resident Thelma Louise Kennedy, 84, died on Monday, October 30, 2017. A veteran, Mrs. Kennedy served in the U.S. Army in 1953. On September 22, 1957, she married Daniel Kennedy. Together they raised their four children. The family moved to Greenbelt in the late '60s, residing in 2 Court Gardenway.

Mrs. Kennedy worked for the U.S. Postal Service in Capital Heights until she retired in 2001. She very much enjoyed spending time with her two great grandsons Christopher and Cameron Mendoza.

Mrs. Kennedy is survived by her husband Daniel; sons Mark, Malin and Ward (Kimberly) and a daughter Shirley Anne; granddaughter Kimberly and two great grandsons.



PHOTO BY FAMILY

Thelma Kennedy

Arrangements are by Borgwardt Funeral Home of Beltsville with viewing on Saturday, November 4 from noon to 2 p.m., followed by a military service at 2 p.m. The family plans to spread her ashes in Pennsylvania where her parents are buried.



Condolences to the family and friends of Thelma L. Kennedy who died Monday, October 30. Thelma was the wife of Dan Kennedy whose paintings can be seen throughout Greenbelt.

Please share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to [editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com](mailto:editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com).

### St. Hugh's Annual Christmas Bazaar

The St. Hugh's Annual Christmas Bazaar will take place in Grenoble Hall on Saturday and Sunday, November 4 and 5 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be plenty of great buys, delicious food, baked goods, as well as crafts and vendors with special purchases for holiday gifts and so much more. Joining the bazaar this year will be local author Peggy Rooney of the Greenbelt Writers Group, Knights of Columbus, St. Hugh's Youth Group with fair trade items, vendors with hats, scarves, jewelry, Avon products, NFL team gear, flavored oils and vinegars, greeting cards, special decorative candles, baby items and more. There will be a silent auction as well as door prizes and photos with Santa.

### Mowatt Church Holds Spaghetti Dinner

Mowatt United Methodist Church at 40 Ridge Road will hold its semi-annual spaghetti dinner on Saturday, November 11 from 5 to 7 p.m. The Mowatt Spaghetti Dinner has been a tradition in Greenbelt for more than 10 years. With the recent loss of our beloved Kitchen Queen Maxine Smith, we are working on a new sauce recipe by our own Lee Kisse. All you care to eat spaghetti, bread, salad and a dessert for one price. Come join this gathering of food and fun. Home baked goods will be available to take home to enjoy later. Call the church at 301-474-9410 for more details.



### Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.

### Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors  
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Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m.  
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### Greenbelt Baha'i Community

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[Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com](mailto:Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com) [www.greenbeltbahais.org](http://www.greenbeltbahais.org)

### Greenbelt Community Church

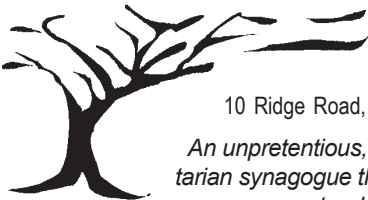
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



1 Hillside (at Crescent Road)  
Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings  
[www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org](http://www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org)

Sunday Worship  
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# City Information

## CITY OF GREENBELT ELECTION INFORMATION

### TRANSPORTATION TO POLLING PLACES

On Tuesday, November 7, 2017, the Greenbelt Connection will provide free transportation to polling locations for City voters between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Citizens who wish to avail themselves of this service should call:

**GREENBELT CONNECTION: 301-474-4100**  
**to schedule their transportation. In addition, the City bus will make scheduled pick-ups at GREEN RIDGE HOUSE- 22 Ridge Road at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.**  
and will return to Green Ridge House after the voters have cast their ballots at the Community Center.

### DON'T FORGET TO VOTE! CITY ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 from 7AM-8PM POLLING LOCATIONS

#### PRECINCT 3-Center:

**Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road**  
Crescent Rd. #1-155, Damsel Ct., Eastway #2, Gardenway, Lady Anne Ct., Lakecrest Circle, Lakecrest Dr., Lakeside Dr., Lakeview Circle, Maplewood Ct., Olivewood Ct., Parkway, Pinecrest Ct., Ridge Rd., #1-42; 44; 46; 48, Southway, Vanity Fair Dr., Westway

#### PRECINCT 6 - North End:

**Greenbelt Police Station, 550 Crescent Road**  
Eastway #1; 3; & 5, Empire Pl., Fayette Pl.,Forestway, Greendale Pl., Greenhill Rd., Greenknolls Pl., Greentree Pl., Greenway Pl., Hedgewood Dr., Hillside Rd., Ivy Lane, Julian Ct., Lastner Lane, Laurel Hill Rd., Lynbrook Ct., Northway, Orange Ct., Periwinkle Ct., Plateau Pl., Research Rd., Ridge Rd. #43; 45; 47; 49-446, Rosewood Dr., Tamarisk Ct., White Birch Ct., Woodland Way

#### PRECINCT 8-Franklin Park/Greenbelt Station Springhill Lake Recreation Center 6101 Cherrywood Lane

Breezewood Ct., Breezewood Dr., Breezewood Terr., Cherrywood Ct., Cherrywood Ln., Cherrywood Terr., Davis Point Ln., Edmonston Ct., Edmonston Rd., Edmonston Terr., Greenbelt Station Parkway, North Center Dr., North Channel Dr., Sable Ct., Settling Pond Ln., Smiths Cove Ln., South Center Dr., South Channel Dr., Stream Bank Ln., Springhill Ct., Springhill Dr., Springhill Ln., Springhill Terr.

#### PRECINCT 13-Greenbelt East: Greenbriar Community Building 7600 Hanover Pkwy.

Emily's Way, Frankfort Ct., Frankfort Dr., Frankfort Pl., 7600-7899 Hanover Parkway, Jacobs Dr., Mandan Rd., Mandan Terr., Morrison Drive, Ora Ct., Sunrise Court, and Wintergreen Ct.

#### PRECINCT 18:

**Schrom Hills Park, 6915 Hanover Parkway**  
Bird Lane, Brett Pl., Brooks Pl., Burkart Ct., Candlewood Pl., Canning Terr., Chartwell Pl., Cloister Pl. , Craddock Ct., Craddock Rd., Green Crescent Ct., Green Manor Pl., Green Walk Ct., Greenbrook Dr., Greenbury Dr., 6800-6999 Hanover Parkway, Kara Ct., Lake Dr., Lake Park Dr., Landon Ct., Mandan Ct., Mathew St., Megan Lane , Ora Glen Ct., Ora Glen Dr., Ryan Way, Somerset Ct., South Ora Ct., Springcrest Dr., Spring Manor Dr., Springshire Way, Sunset Pl., Village Park Dr. and Winterwood Pl.

## VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

*Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.*

There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Committee on Education, Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board and Youth Advisory Committee.

**For information on how to apply contact  
301-474-8000.**

## VISIT OUR ADOPTABLE PETS Greenbelt Animal Shelter

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## MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 6-10

Tuesday, November 7 at 7:00pm, **ARTS ADVISORY BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Second reading of proposed updates to the AAB bylaws, Discussion of the petition by AAB member John Drago to the Greenbelt City Council on 9/25/2017 to establish a Greenbelt Arts Council based on the City of Laurel's Ordinance 1908 establishing a Laurel Arts Council.*

Tuesday, November 7 at 7:00pm, **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

*This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.*

## SAMPLE BALLOT

### MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL (VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN SEVEN)

SILKE I. POPE
COLIN A. BYRD
GEORGE R. BOYCE
WILLIAM A. ORLEANS
LETA M. MACH
RODNEY M. ROBERTS
JUDITH F. DAVIS
AARON A. MARCAVITCH
EDWARD V. J. PUTENS
DANIELLE M. CELDRAN
EMMETT V. JORDAN
BRANDON R. GORDON
SUSAN H. STEWART

### REFERENDUM QUESTION ON VOTING AT AGE 16

Shall Section 15 ("Voters") of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt be amended to read as follows: (Note: Underscoring indicates language to be added to the City Charter.)

A qualified voter within the meaning of this charter shall be any person who is a resident of the City of Greenbelt and who is duly registered with Prince George's County under the applicable provisions of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland and is at least 16 years of age; provided that eligibility to vote in any city election shall be subject to applicable registration deadlines as set forth in the charter and code of the city.

- ☐ FOR the Charter Amendment  
☐ AGAINST the Charter Amendment

### REFERENDUM QUESTION ON APPROVING THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BORROWING BY THE CITY OF AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,500,000) AS AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 1359 OF THE CITY

"Shall the City of Greenbelt be authorized to borrow an amount not exceeding Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) for the purpose of financing the repair of Greenbelt Lake Dam per Maryland Department of the Environment Consent Order DSD-2010-5 as described in Ordinance No. 1359 of the City?"

- ☐ FOR the BORROWING OF FUNDS  
☐ AGAINST the BORROWING OF FUNDS

## Greenbelt Community Art Drop-In

Sunday, November 5

1:00pm - 3:00pm. Free. Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd, Room 113, 301-397-2208 Drop-In workshop with Kathy Karlson. Come combine objects and paint in a mixed media collage, inspired by artists Robert Rauschenberg and Arthur Dove! All materials will be provided. No reservations are needed.

## Recreation and Park Facilities Master Plan Survey

### 3 Chances to Win \$100!!

Please make sure to check your mail box over the next couple of weeks for a postcard from the Greenbelt Recreation Department. You may have been selected to participate in a random survey that will not only give you a chance to win one of three \$100 gift cards but help the City of Greenbelt develop a Recreation and Park Facilities Master Plan.

Only a limited number of households have been randomly selected to receive this survey, so your responses are critical to the future of Greenbelt's recreation, parks, programs, facilities and services. Responses are important and will be kept confidential.

## SEWING HELP WANTED!

Help bring 1930s Greenbelt to life on stage in the upcoming Winter Youth Musical!

Adult volunteers are invited to work on costumes. Some paid positions also available according to skill and availability.

**Contact Nicole DeWald,  
Arts Supervisor,  
for more information:  
ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov.**

## FREE CONFIDENTIAL MEMORY SCREENINGS

**Monday, November 6  
9-11am  
Municipal Building,  
25 Crescent Rd.**

A MEMORY SCREENING IS A SIMPLE AND SAFE "HEALTHY BRAIN CHECK-UP" THAT TESTS MEMORY AND OTHER THINKING SKILLS.

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Greenbelt Recreation's Annual Halloween Parade was a great success with so many wonderful costumes. Everyone had a great time. Thank you to the Roosevelt Center Merchants, the Greenbelt Police, the University of Maryland Marching Band. Congratulations to the winners: Fairy Princess-Valentina Lafislaos, Oscar the Grouch- Leila Goddard, Werewolves-Gia and Gemma Chianese-Owe (not pictured), Darth Vader- Rhys Rohrbach, Vending Machine-Samuel Collins, Dog and Witch-Yasha and Andrea Marcavitch and the family entry of "It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown-Great Pumpkin-Johanna Moore, Lilly Novick, Kira and Mia Moore, Leah, JJ and Emily Novick, Elizabeth Moore (Not pictured Nick Moore, Jacob Novick, Devin Zeiders and Kaleb Moore)



# Pumpkin Walk Fun



Flashlights, glowsticks, and even people with mini-laser lights could be seen walking down the path of the Forest Preserve on the evening of Saturday, October 28. Community members had a pleasantly cool evening to walk the half-mile path alongside pumpkins carved by community members the previous evening. The carvings were as diverse as one would hope. There were animals, names, painted ones, decorations and even promotional jack-o'-lanterns. The event started at 5 p.m. but the real fun started at 6 p.m. when the sky darkened and the ghouls came out of the woods to frighten the passersby.

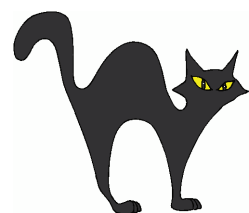
- Jill Connor



A child encounters the Forest Fairy at the annual pumpkin walk on Saturday, October 28.



Photos by Jill Connor



Children of all ages members encounter the Goatman in the woods.

Everyone enjoys the annual pumpkin walk.



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• ADVOCATING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES

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# Costume Parade In Center



Acting older for the costume parade.

An Oscar the Grouch baby, a vending machine, and the cast of Peanuts, what do they have in common? Well, they were the winners of a very competitive contest in Roosevelt Center on Monday, October 30. The annual costume contest had over 200 contestants winding through the underpass of Crescent Road and up the hill on the sidewalk. There were a small group of winners for a variety of categories including best pet but the real winners were all the kids who got to go trick-or-treating to their favorite stores in Roosevelt Center as well as trunk-or-treating to a line of Greenbelt Police cruisers. Each police car had its trunk facing the center and open for display as the officers handed out candy. They were all decorated with different themes.

Nearly all the stores had employees out with bowls of candy and toys, many in costume to the delight of many of the children. There was also cheery music in the air courtesy of the University of Maryland's Marching Band.

The long line of costumed parents and kids spoke to the success of the event. Full bags of candy were the triumph of many. Those bags were also the "burden" of those who had to take their kids out to do it all again the next night. There was also the issue of what to do with all that sugar. Holidays can come with challenges.

- Jill Connor



Photos by Beverly Palau



Old and young (and young pretending to be old) participated in the costume parade.



Merchants got into costume at the city's costume parade in Roosevelt Center.



The annual costume parade brought out many families.

## College Park Arts Hosts Rag Out

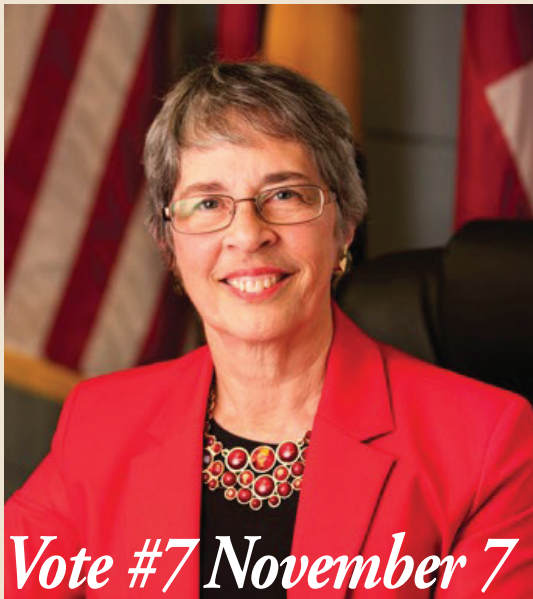
On Saturday, November 4 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. the College Park Arts Exchange presents Rag Out. Local belly dancers share their amazing skills to exciting music and tribal rhythms at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road in College Park. This performance is free.

## Clarice Showcases New Dances

New Dances will be presented twice, on Thursday and Friday, November 9 and 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Dance Theatre of The Clarice. New Dances is a performance in which students present creative work on stage, at any stage of development. Both performances are free.

visit [www.greenbeltnewsreview.com](http://www.greenbeltnewsreview.com)

## Re-Elect Judith F. 'J' Davis for Greenbelt City Council



Vote #7 November 7

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See more on my position at the address below or contact me any time.

[www.facebook.com/GreenbeltForward/marcavitch@gmail.com](https://www.facebook.com/GreenbeltForward/marcavitch@gmail.com)

under authority of Friends of Aaron Marcavitch, Andrea Marcavitch, Treasurer

On November 7 VOTE #8



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win that supports three creative Greenbelt institutions: the Theatre, the Café and the paper. A dessert buffet will be served in the theatre prior to the show.

Inclusive Cooking

Chef Carrie notes, “Everybody eats differently. Some are sensitive to gluten, some are vegan, some organic and some paleo. For others, a big slab of red meat is the only answer. Our menu has to allow gluten-free grandma to sit down with her paleo grand daughter and carnivorous grandson and have all three find something they love.”

Her first imaginative venture is the Croak. The Greenbelt Croak is a riff on the French brasserie standby and favorite food, the Croque – pronounced croak (at least by the perennial American in Paris – it’s actually more like ‘crock’ but hey, who’s a purist here?). The original Croque Monsieur and Croque Madame are both open-faced grilled cheese sandwiches, variegated golden on top and oozy-cheesy beneath. Monsieur has a slice of ham, and is the French moral equivalent of a grilled ham and cheese. The Café’s variants are based on French toast rather than just bread and include Croak Lorraine (bacon, swiss cheese and caramelized onions), Mr. Croak (ham and swiss) and Croak Capri (goat cheese and sun-dried tomato tapenade).

In a new pairing, the Café now offers a cup of soup and half a sandwich or Croak. This combo is easy on the budget and provides a tasty but not overwhelming choice that is just the right amount. Chef Carrie believes that deep in everybody’s heart is the desire to return to familiar home-style meals – an instinct borne out when the first day she introduced cream of tomato soup, the Café sold more servings of it than anything else on the menu.

Smart Changes

These are clever choices by the chef that bode well for things to come. These simple but tasty and attractive preparations are perfect for a kitchen still earning its spurs. The ingredients don’t cost a mint and either keep well or are on-hand staples. The Croak can be prepared quickly and economically – a boon for patron and kitchen both. These small incremental changes are also a chance to train and integrate the efforts of the kitchen and front-of-the-house staff so that orders taken are fulfilled quickly and land on the table still sizzling. Kitchen and serving staff

continue to grow in skill and confidence under Chef Carrie’s exacting training and experienced guidance. Staffer Lori Martin was very positive about the changes she has observed. She felt that although the transformation is still ongoing, she can already see how the Café has changed for the better in terms of service and cooking. She said she felt optimistic, happier and that business had definitely picked up. Buoyant employee morale is critical to a successful restaurant.

Branching Out

Chef Carrie has a vision of the New Deal that clearly reflects the new generation of pubs in England and the classic brasseries of France – the closest analogs to the neighborhood vibe of the New Deal. Her first commercial cooking job was in a London pub when England was well into emerging from its post-World War II culinary funk. Cheaply

available foreign travel had expanded the population’s palate well beyond fish and chips and the clientele was ready to be adventurous.

Earlier British pubs had offered only dismal, warmed-over, industrial-grade meat pies in little foil trays. Today’s adventurous British gastro-pub food juxtaposes delicious and comforting homely standards like shepherd’s pie and fruit crumbles, with cuisine from all corners of the world; India’s chicken tikka and korma, French quiche and Italian pasta are all regulars on a typical pub menu.

Chef Carrie’s philosophy for the New Deal is similar. She notes that she’s not trying to compete with the fancy upscale restaurants of Georgetown or Bethesda. She sees the New Deal’s niche as the meal before the movie, the convenient alternative when the fridge at home yields no inspiration and

an informal common ground for neighbors to meet and eat without struggling with traffic and parking. She wants to offer an affordable lunch for someone on a budget and a quickly-served working lunch for local business people taking a break. So, in many respects, she envisions it being like the British pub – home away from home – the New Deal Café not only as Greenbelt’s living room, but as its dining room, too.

Seven Days a Week

When asked which days she would be available for an interview, Chef Carrie replied, “Any – but later in the week is crazier.” She remarked, “When a restaurant has had a tough time and needs to recover, the chef has to be there seven days a week for the first several months to help the staff stay on target until doing it right has become second nature.” Dedication correlates

with a good outcome, so the New Deal is on the right road.

This rethought New Deal Café is well worth another visit. It retains the local energy and funkiness that distinguishes it from the cookie cutter chains and it’s still one of the region’s favorite local music venues. Now the food and service are rising to match the occasion. Stop by and be part of its culinary renaissance.

*The writer spent her final year of college (1969) as a barmaid in a busy inner-city pub in Nottingham, England, and was gruesomely familiar with the wizened pies. She does point out, however, that it’s still really hard to beat a sizzling portion of cod and chips wrapped in newspaper and that the French (who know a good thing when they see it) have adopted ‘Le Crumble’ in its myriad fruited forms and now seem to believe they invented it.*

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Improving city services  
Tax relief, cutting waste

Some of My Endorsements:

Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen,  
Paul Downs

New Deal Cafe Board President  
Michael Hartman

State's Attorney Angela  
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Former State's Attorney Glenn Ivey

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therefore public.

Stewart said the city should have a published policy not only because city employees should not be doing ICE’s work but also because it is important that people know what their rights are. She suggested the city could publish a policy similar to the county’s. Gordon agreed, saying the policy should be published for purposes of transparency and that immigrants should have the same rights as others.

Jordan stated emphatically that his answer was “no.” He said for the city to convey a policy to police is one thing, but publishing the policy could result in unintended consequences, including loss of federal funding that benefits all residents. He believes the policy is fairly clear, adding that the city is bound by the county’s policy. Marcavitch said that although he is open-minded on the question he leans toward Jordan’s point of view.

Davis said the city’s directive to police is not to inquire about immigration status if they stop someone for something else. Nor do other city departments request any information about status. If an outstanding warrant is encountered, she said, then we do follow up. If ICE says it wants someone detained, we follow the policy of the county. Davis said as far as she is aware, this policy has served the city well so far.

Mach said publication is not the issue. “What we do is important. Our practice is important.”

Roberts said funding should not be part of the equation since

human rights are more important than money. Orleans, too, believes the city should have a published policy.

Boyce went further and said he would support the city’s declaring itself to be a sanctuary city, adding that the city should not use any of its funds for enforcing immigration laws. Pope said she had no problem with making the current policy public.

Byrd said federal funding is just a smoke screen since no one has lost funding yet and that the city should not detain residents on behalf of ICE. He accused other candidates he did not name with holding positions on this matter that are identical to those of Donald Trump and Jeff Sessions.

**Police**

**Do you support a review of city policing policies and practices to ensure they align with a community-oriented approach that includes implicit-bias training, de-escalation training, community oversight and an end to broken-windows policing? Do you consider it a critical requirement that the new police chief have successful experience in working with a community policing model?**

The candidates were united in thinking this question had way too many sub-parts to be adequately addressed in one minute. As it turned out, they also were at one for the most part in their answers to the question. Most followed the lead set by Byrd in saying, “Yes, yes, yes and yes” to all the questions, including

experience with and commitment to the concepts of community policing on the part of the chief to be hired.

A number of the candidates pointed out that community policing had been around for quite a while and had long been part of Greenbelt’s police training. No one, however, had any objections to further evaluation of policies and practices in the department. Roberts suggested that he would like to see a demilitarization of police departments.

A couple of the challengers suggested in their comments that the city council should be playing a different or stronger oversight role in the hiring or supervision of the police. Jordan explained that in Greenbelt’s city manager form of government, it is the city manager, not the council, who has authority over employees, including those of the police department and any processes for

hiring the new chief.

**Voting Structure**

**Some residents feel the city’s at-large election of all city council representatives is discriminatory. Do you support a change to voting for a mixture of at-large and ward-based representatives?**

Candidates differed widely on this issue, which received much discussion in the city and was rejected about 10 years ago. Gordon, who had advocated for converting to a precinct or ward system even before the election period, argued that while the current council may think everyone in Greenbelt is well-represented, that is not the case. “Your experience is not mine,” he said.

Four other candidates also supported various versions of ward systems for various reasons. Orleans supported having city districts with the mayor being elected at large. Saying he

thought Greenbelt West was not currently well represented, Boyce suggested electing three councilmembers within a ward structure and the other four at large. He also suggested moving elections to even years, which would increase voter turnout in Greenbelt West.

Stewart said the at-large system supports incumbents since it is difficult to get sufficient name recognition citywide to be elected as a challenger. Marcavitch agreed with her, saying there was a “money issue” involved. He said he would support a blended system of some type, as well as shifting to longer terms with term limits.

Jordan, Davis, Roberts, Mach and Pope opposed a ward system because of concerns that it would further divide the city rather than providing a benefit. Jordan said

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What Does Community Development Look Like to You?

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- Develop Community Engagement
  - Invest in Youth Enrichment
  - Expand Care for Those in Need
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- Green Ridge House provides low income housing to elderly and disabled residents. But it has been full for years.
- We need to expand services to more residents and include help for those who suffer from addiction, mental illness and the homeless.



- Our community is divided by major highways built for commuters, not for residents.
- We need transportation designed for local access to shopping, recreation, festivals, and services. We need to rebuild Greenbelt Road into a community main street.



- Our Green Belt is our greatest asset and we need to protect and expand our tree cover to the entire city.
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we transport them to the North Woods,” said Knesel.

A past organizer of the festival, Melissa Ehrenreich, talked specifically about why the community values the history of the Forest Preserve and enjoys the Pumpkin Festival. She also mentioned that the festival shows their attachment to the forest and that the community will push to protect the preserve.

“We made postcards for kids to color and then send to Governor Hogan to let him know we are very attached to our forest,” said Ehrenreich. “It’s very important to the community to not lose what we have.”

*Layne Litsinger is a University of Maryland journalism student writing for the News Review.*

Photos by Layne Litsinger

(See page 6 for photos of the Pumpkin Walk)



Crickett the Clown juggles batons for children at the Pumpkin Festival.



Victoria Kozak, 34, and her children paint pumpkins.



Mary Ann Baker, 75, Lora Murray, 47, and Nathan Miller, 4 months, pose for a picture together.

At the Library

All Prince George’s County Memorial Library System branches will be closed on Friday and Saturday, November 10 and 11, for the Veterans Day holiday. The Greenbelt Branch Library will reopen on Sunday, November 12 at 1 p.m.

**English Conversation Club**

Monday, November 6, 6:30 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join a club to practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds. Registration is recommended, as space is limited. This club will meet weekly on Monday evenings.

**Storytimes**

Tuesday, November 7, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 20 people. Wednesday, November 8, ages 3 to 5, 10:15 a.m., limit 20 people; ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 20 people. Thursday, November 9, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 4:15 p.m., limit 20 people.

**STEM-tastic: Crazy 8’s Math Season 1** (Grades 3 to 5). Tuesday, November 7, 5:30 p.m., limit 15 children. Get kids fired up about math with the Crazy 8s after-school math club. Each week participants may build stuff, make music, play games – all while bonding with new friends over math.

**Lecture Series**

Tuesday, November 7, 7 p.m. Black Beauty: The African Origins of Fashion and Style will be the next session in this audiovisual lecture series presented by historian C.R. Gibbs. Other sessions will be presented on Tuesday evenings through November 21.



*Rodney volunteered his constructions skills to prevent the demolition of a Greenbelt home for a senior citizen in need of a helping hand.*

On November 7<sup>th</sup>  
RE-ELECT RODNEY ROBERTS!

Rodney Roberts is the sole voice of transparency and common sense in our city government. We need him. – Bill Rich

I support Rodney Roberts because of his lifetime experience as a Greenbelter. He appreciates and knows like no other candidate where we came from, where we are, and where we thoughtfully need to go. He understands that you can 'smart growth' yourself right out of existence. He approaches needed change with a cautious clarity that keeps the Greenbelt New Deal Spirit alive! – Paul Downs, Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen 2017

Rodney was a tireless activist for many years to save the Green Belt from development that later became our Greenbelt Forest Preserve. I believe in Rodney Roberts. You always know where he stands, he doesn't play games. Rodney is dedicated to protecting the unique character of our City and its green spaces. – Gail Richards

Rodney has been an active member of the Greenbelt community for many years. He has generously given of his time and expertise in order to improve the livability of our city. He has lobbied for community policing and bike patrols in order to keep our city safe for walking and

enjoying the many unique walkways Greenbelt is known for. During his time as a member of Greenbelt City Council, he has been involved in the preservation of our green belt that we may enjoy and pass on to our children and future generations the benefit of nature. – Ruth Haynes

Rodney has repeatedly demonstrated his dedication to the protection of open space and forests in all areas of Greenbelt. He was an early supporter of the citizens' grass-root movement to stop the Lakeside North Development. As a member of Council, he has shown respect for the rights of all citizens to observe Council business in open meetings. – Brian and Donna Almquist.

Rodney Roberts has been working for Greenbelt for the last 26 years on Council and before that he spent 4 years as a citizen activist. He has integrity and our best interests at heart. Rodney was the only council member who stood firmly against the 25-story monstrosity of a high rise at Lakeside North. He has my vote and always will. – Susan Smithers

Rodney truly cares about the future of Greenbelt! He has always been doing what is best for it and its citizens! – Patti Stange

Rodney Roberts grew up in Greenbelt in the 60's and 70's and has lived all of his life here. The likelihood of ever again having someone else with this specific background - and invaluable perspective - on Greenbelt City Council is very slim. He wants to preserve the best of the past while going forward. That means keeping Greenbelt the sort of place kids can grow up with lots of varied activities and places for recreation, just as he had. It means keeping crime down. It means top-notch city services for everyone. And it absolutely means hanging onto the cherished woodlands that define our town. Roberts has a clear, unwavering vision that doesn't change depending on his audience. He's not a politician and that's to his credit. Talk of "smart growth" and "expanding the tax base" sounds good but Rodney Roberts is emphatic that they shouldn't be at the cost of what made Greenbelt special in the first place. As he says, some things are more important than money. You might find someone who loves Greenbelt as much as Rodney Roberts does, but you won't find someone who loves Greenbelt more. Please join me in voting for Rodney Roberts. – Colette Zanin

By Authority: Yoni, Siegel, Treasurer



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he was “open to talking about it but did not think it would work well.” He added that he didn’t think understanding the whole of Greenbelt was as difficult as suggested. Roberts, too, said he was willing to be convinced but thought representation was better under the current system than if someone were elected with a small number of votes. Pope responded in kind, saying she thought being elected at large required one to work harder and be more responsive than if one represented a limited area.

Byrd, too, said he was open minded on the question but thought the incentives are wrong. He said he wanted to be elected to represent all of Greenbelt, not just part of it. He was also concerned that candidates from one ward could run for office with no interest in the concerns of other wards or could be elected with a small number of votes. At the same time, he said he was concerned that the council does not reflect the diversity of the city.

**Transportation**  
**Transportation Improvements – What can the city do to improve transit in Greenbelt and promote more affordable and environmentally sustainable options?**

Candidates overall were in agreement on this question. Everyone agreed it was essential to replace the Greenbelt Connection and eventually expand its service. Everyone would like to have a Greenbelt circulator bus, which would probably mean at least two buses, but councilmembers who recalled a prior feasibility study in which the costs were found to be prohibitive were less excited than others about the likelihood that it could be done.

In the meantime, Mach said, council should continue to work closely with the county and TRUG, continue to enlarge biking and pedestrian access and safety, and continue to make electric vehicle charging stations more plentiful.

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**Ed PUTENS**

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| Kathy Gigliotti     | Martha Galvin    | Francis Rondeau    |
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| Carolyn Jones       | Sharon Natoli    | Linda Shevitz      |
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Authority: John Winfrey, Treasurer



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Davis agreed, adding to the list the need to continue to improve crosswalks and bus stops. Marcavitch noted there have been a number of pathway changes in the area that Greenbelt can now hook into, stressing the importance of good networks and connections for successful pedestrian and bike experiences. Jordan said he would like to see Greenbelt partner with College Park on bike-share.

In supporting the various suggestions for biking, walking and public transportation, Byrd said the most important aspect of all these ideas is follow-through. He also noted that Maglev and widening the Baltimore-Washington Parkway would not improve transportation in Greenbelt.

**Alternative Energy**

**Beyond purchasing 100 percent wind power and several hybrid vehicles, what specific ideas could the city pursue to reduce its use of fossil fuels?**

Pointing out that battery capacity for electric vehicles has expanded, Jordan said it is now beginning to look feasible for the city to begin buying electric vehicles for public safety use. He also said he supports a petition that was submitted to start moving away from gasoline mowers and blowers for city landscaping. Celdran stressed solar power and using LED lighting both indoor and out.

Marcavitch said that at this point big changes are needed, not small ones, with leadership being required to fight against climate change. Noting that Greenbelt had been recertified as a sustainable city, Davis said the city should use solar wherever possible and expand the use of electric vehicles. She said LED lighting has already been installed in most public city locations. Roberts put priority on protecting the forest and fighting any proposals to widen highways. Mach supports moving more quickly toward solar and seeking out a solar farm when the city's current electric contract expires.

Boyce upped the ante a little by suggesting that rather than just putting solar panels on a few city buildings, the city should not stop with its own property but rather take a leadership role throughout Greenbelt in assessing possibilities for encouraging change. Stewart agreed that the whole city should be inventoried and agreed with others in saying the necessary leaders are not coming forward.

Byrd said Greenbelt should definitely not be leading from behind in the area of climate control. He pointed out that he had encouraged council to take a position supporting the Paris Climate Accord when President Donald Trump withdrew the U.S. from participation, and he favored increasing use of solar and wind power, as well as increasing charging stations.

**Watershed**

**What is your commitment to cleaning up our streams, especially as they pass through city property, and to create infiltration systems to control runoff and redirect rainwater back into the ground instead of into the storm water sewer system?**

It was later in the discussion on this question that Marcavitch said, "Not too many people will disagree on this, except maybe our current administrator of the

Environmental Protection Agency." And Stewart answered, "How committed? 200 percent."

With that in mind, all candidates wanted to see more pervious surfaces, rain gardens and complete green streets, with less litter, dog waste, asphalt, concrete and improperly used fertilizer.

The replaced parking lot at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center and the pervious one planned for Buddy Attick Park are generally praised, although Roberts opposes it because a row of pine trees will be cut down.

Jordan said the city is doing a lot in partnership with the county on the forebay project. He commented that partnering helps to save money. He thinks with more staff the city could take advantage of more funding opportunities.

Boyce suggested a need for a council science and engineering advisory group. He has concern that there is not enough knowledge on some issues, such as waste water management, at the council and staff levels.

**Closing**

In closing, candidates were given two minutes to pose a question to themselves that had not been asked. Some interpreted that to mean one of the unasked 10 questions on the list; others took it as free time.

Celdran took a question from the list on how city government could move toward a zero-waste approach to waste management and resource recovery practices. She suggested asking the advisory groups for input, extending online payments across the board for city fees, and eliminating all those little envelopes enclosed with bills.

Marcavitch noted a number of topics that motivated him to run for office, including elder justice, community wi-fi, and particularly building an effective transportation network. He thanked the sitting council for its opposition on issues like Maglev and Hyperloop.

Davis said a question she would pose to challengers is "How much time are you willing to put in?" She said being on the city council is a big time com-

mitment, since they engage in many activities and meetings over and above their own meetings. She said councilmembers are always participating and always learning.

Byrd said he would take a cue from Davis's question about the time commitment and point out that he is the only challenger who has been attending regular city council meetings for the last year. He has also submitted several petitions that have been accepted for council action. One he submitted that he would still like to see adopted for Greenbelt is a non-discrimination ordinance covering race, gender and national origin.

Mach said a concern of hers is finding ways to establish respectful relationships among councilmembers and residents. She does not want the tone that has taken over the current federal administration to come to Greenbelt.

Boyce said he found it sad to think economic development would have turned out to be a progressive issue, but he did not understand the rejection of the plan developed by Beltway Plaza. He does not see how the city can move forward with the attitude of the current council toward economic development. He also believes term limits are long overdue for councilmembers in Greenbelt and that "you can't reelect the same people and expect to get different results."

Pope said one other goal is bringing on an economic development advisor for the city.

Stewart said her own experience with dealing with playground surfacing and artificial turf in Greenbelt—and not feeling that her concerns were adequately heard—has led her to believe the voters need a watchdog on council. Gordon spoke of it being a time for change, saying change can be difficult but it is time to move forward.

As did other candidates, Jordan complimented the organizers on the thought-provoking questions they devised. The optional question he chose to answer from the list was whether he would favor letting otherwise qualified, non-U.S. citizens who are



The 12 participating candidates sat in reverse ballot order, from left: Susan Stewart, Brandon (Ric) Gordon, Emmett Jordan, Danielle (Li'l Dan) Celdran, Aaron Marcavitch, Judith (J) Davis, Rodney Roberts, Leta Mach, William (Bill) Orleans, George Boyce, Colin Byrd, and Silke Pope. Absent: Edward Putens. The room was packed, with standing room only.

residents of Greenbelt vote in city elections. He said he would.

The sponsors of the forum included the following: Franklin Park Community Pride, Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN), Greenbelt People Power, Greenbelt Racial Equity Alliance (GREA), Indivisible Green-

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- WORK** for the preservation of Greenbelt's green spaces and for improvements on aging infrastructure
- PROTECT** the community programs and services for youth, seniors and all Greenbelt residents
- COLLABORATE** on shared strategies for economic growth
- ADVANCE** public safety and quality of life initiatives including advocating for advanced training of police officers, additional bike officers, and the police explorer program
- PROMOTE** equitable transportation initiatives for Greenbelt residents including connectivity solutions throughout the City
- CALL** for more traffic calming devices, safer crosswalks and additional and safer bicycle lanes
- ADVOCATE** for improvements to the existing Greenbelt dog park and additional dog parks throughout the City

By Authority of:  
Kris White, Treasurer

Please, **VOTE #1** on the ballot on November 7th, 2017



## Bicycle Task Force Meets

by John Campanile

The newly formed Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) Bicycle Task Force met for the first time on Wednesday, September 20. The task force was created on July 20, the culmination of a process initiated by members of the GHI board of directors.

The task force members are all bicycling enthusiasts and members of GHI: Alex Barnes (co-chair), John Campanile (secretary), Aileen Kroll (co-chair), Diana McFadden (GHI board liaison) and Mary Salemme. GHI’s Bruce Mangum assists as staff liaison.

The task force will review bicycle infrastructure within the GHI community and make recommendations for improvements to the GHI board. Among its first tasks is to identify locations and arrange to have bicycle parking racks installed throughout the GHI community. Other topics to be considered include:

In collaboration with the Greenbelt City Council, identify streets for the placement of road sharrows (on-street shared lane markings) and Share The Road signage.

Address educational opportunities for road sharing among bicyclists, pedestrians and drivers, and bicyclists’ rights and obligations.

Promote bicycle awareness to the GHI community while strengthening bonds with local governments and advocacy organizations.

Survey GHI residents and use the feedback to help improve

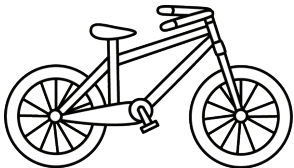
overall conditions providing a culture for bicycling based on members’ comments.

Other ideas discussed include bicycle repair clinics, community bike rides and placement of bicycle repair stations and storage sheds within GHI.

The realized vision of 1937 Greenbelt, one of the country’s first planned communities, was one in which bikers and pedestrians had well-maintained areas, separate and apart from the driving areas. This was very forward-thinking. Fast forward 80 years and many cities and communities have taken this concept and created biking infrastructures that, if implemented by GHI, would greatly benefit GHI members in particular and Greenbelters in general. It is the intention of the GHI Bicycle Task Force to bring these matters to the fore and address them in ways that enhance the health and well-being of GHI members.

The next meeting of the task force is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15 at 7 p.m. in the GHI Office. All GHI community members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

For additional information, contact John Campanile at jbelltower2@gmail.com.



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was identified through a Safety and Spot Improvements program in October 2014. It was a candidate for a project aimed at improving areas with a high concentration of rear-end and sideswipe crashes. However, College Park “surprisingly” received a letter in September that the project had been cancelled.

Wojahn explained a proposal from the Maryland State Highway administration to redirect the traffic in that area and add a turn lane. The City of College Park, however, thought the proposal would not help with congestion and would just add confusion, according to Wojahn. Therefore, the proposal was eliminated, but “we asked them to take another look at what would be the best and safest way to fix it,” he said.

Berwyn Heights and New Carrollton representatives said they also would need to put the Belt-

way letter in front of their city councils before officially signing on.

*Maria Herd is a University of Maryland graduate student in journalism writing for the News Review.*

### High School Choirs Perform at UMD

A high school choir invitational will take place on Wednesday, November 8 at 7:30 p.m. in Dekelboun Concert Hall of The Clarice. For a 16th consecutive year, the High School Choir Invitational puts the future of choral music in the spotlight as talented area high school choirs gather for a vibrant performance alongside UMD choral students. This concert is free.



## Botanic Garden Holds Free Nature Walk

On Thursday, November 9 the U.S. Botanic Garden (USBG) will offer a tour from noon to 12:45 p.m.

Taking time to enjoy nature has been shown to reduce stress, increase productivity and improve overall wellness. Join the guided nature walk of the USBG outdoor gardens that explores the relationship with plants and the natural world. This tour will intermittently stop to connect with one’s body through guided stretching and calming exercises.

The tour is held outdoors. Bring sunscreen, protective clothing and water. The tour meets by the entrance to the Conservatory on the Terrace. It is free but pre-registration is required. Visit USBG.gov/Programs to register. The tour will be cancelled if it rains.

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**Authority: John Winfrey, Treasurer**

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## Leta Mach

### ✓ Experienced

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### ✓ Involved

Volunteering in Greenbelt since 1976

Selected as Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen in 2000

Member of State of Maryland Air Quality Control Advisory Council

### ✓ Committed

Advocated for the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program (GAIL)

Insisted the city establish a Living Wage policy

Spearheaded the city’s designation as a charter Playful City USA and the MML Geocache trail

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With me are my granddaughters Anna & Amelia Avila, Piper Mach, & Alexa Avila

### Work Together ✦ Respect the Past ✦ Build the Future LETA’s GOALS and ISSUES

#### ✓ Work Together

- We achieve more when we listen, research and work together. **We must see that the unfortunate, reprehensible tone of discourse that exists in many areas of the country does not infect Greenbelt.**
- **We must work together and with coalitions to oppose the MAGLEV and Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Beltway widening proposals.**
- Using my co-op knowledge and experience, I will continue to be a resource to co-operative businesses that can contribute to our economic development efforts.

#### ✓ Respect the Past

- **I urge citizens to vote yes on the referendum to permit the city to borrow funds to repair the Greenbelt Lake dam** as the repair is mandated by the state.
- I will work to see the recommendations of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan and Sustainability Plans implemented and **I will work to see the pedestrian/bike trail from the Greenbelt Station development to Metro built.**
- **I will insist that the county zoning rewrite respects Greenbelt’s rich heritage.**

#### ✓ Build the Future

- **I urge citizens to vote yes on the referendum to give 16- and 17-year-old youth the right to vote in city elections.**
- **I will work to see that all Greenbelt children can attend Greenbelt schools.**

by authority of Jill Stevenson, Treasurer



A Review

# NASA's MAD Presents Follies, The Ghosts of Yesteryear

by Jim Link

With the turning of nature’s colors comes Goddard Space Flight Center’s very welcome MAD fall 2017 show Follies, with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, book by James Goldman. The Music and Drama Club’s lavish outsize production boasts a cast of over 30, if you include the orchestra.

The action is set in 1971 when Dmitri Weismann, a Ziegfeld type of impresario played by the excellent Jeff Pattison, throws a farewell party and reunion for his Follies cast before their grand old theater is razed to make way for a parking lot. A tender, bitter nostalgia dating from 1941 saturates the four principals who recall their glory days onstage as well as their very personal follies.

Sally Durant Plummer, the perennially wonderful Cathy Barth, is married to Buddy Plummer played by the excellent singer/dancer Mike Marshall. Phyllis Rogers Stone, the solid, droll, withering, vulnerable, excellent Jill Goodrich, is married to Ben Stone, the cynical, philandering, charming Shawn Perry.

But 30 years earlier in their teens Sally loved Ben and Jill loved Buddy when the world was their oyster and the future beckoned gloriously, before circumstance intervened (WWII)

and time eroded their ideals. So Follies is a tale of middle-aged disenchantment wild with regret, but laced with gutsy optimism and bitter wisdom.

Veteran actress Kim Weaver debuts as director and offers up a sumptuous feast for the eye, an explosion of color as the costume designer. Choreographer Katrina Jackson’s vision is even more creative and intricate than in Oklahoma! and Urinetown.

Frequent flashbacks show the quartet ruefully remembering their younger selves, giving us eight principals basically – present and past. We ache with Ben when he sings What I’d Give to be 25 Again and want to cheer Carlotta, played by Nina Harris, when she belts out her fierce, gritty I’m Still Here.

Lingering long in memory are Sally, played by Cathy Barth, singing Losing My Mind; Penny Martin in an off the shoulder shirred purple sheath singing with the ensemble, and Katrina Jackson doing a quasi-tango in Bolero d’Amour. This sexy dance of love was choreographed by dance captain Trisha Randazzo.

This Las Vegas style extravaganza features undulating beauties in feathered headdresses, shimmering lamé dresses, tuxedos, sashes, boas, bow ties, tap danc-

ing and more clothing changes than Christine Wells has directed the MAD orchestra – 21 consecutive fall musicals!

See the MAD players resuscitate the not quite dead ghosts of yesteryear at the Barney and Bea Recreation Center at Goddard Space Flight Center on November 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11 at 8 p.m. and on November 5 at 2:30 p.m.



From left, actors Mike Marshall, Cathy Barth and Shawn Perry play old friends engrossed in a love triangle.



Follies cast and crew

- Photos by Terry Nguyen

## RE-ELECT Emmett V. Jordan Greenbelt City Council

Over the past 8 years, I’ve provided thoughtful leadership to City Council decision-making. My consistent record of service and hard work are a reflection of my commitment to this City.

I am respectful of the opinions of others. I seek out the views of residents and stakeholders by being active in our community and outside of Greenbelt. I’ve tried to live up to the promises I made since I first ran for election in 2009.

Our City is changing. I will work to welcome new Greenbelt Station residents into our community and to focus on strengthening connections between our many neighborhoods. I’m committed to the balanced distribution of resources for public safety, recreation, and other services throughout Greenbelt. I remain committed to protecting the City’s unique legacy while working to insure a vibrant future for Greenbelt through planning and action.

I will continue to look for ways to improve services, cut costs, and invest in our staff and infrastructure. Council must direct and support the new City Manager in order to insure her continuing success. A permanent Police Chief, Director of Planning & Community Development, and several other key positions will be filled during the next Council term.

Through my leadership as Mayor and as a Council member, we have reduced the City’s long-term obligations by favorably refinancing debt and we have increased reserve fund levels. We have begun to take practical, inexpensive steps towards implementing economic development strategies that will one day reduce Greenbelt’s reliance on residential taxes.

I respectfully ask for one of your votes, so that I can continue to work on your behalf.

Emmett



**Greenbelt Community Pledge**  
*The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate people of many cultures, faiths, and races living together. We pledge to foster a community which is respectful, safe, and fair for all people.*



- **TESTED LEADERSHIP, MANAGING CHANGE**
- **MOVING FORWARD, WORKING TOGETHER**

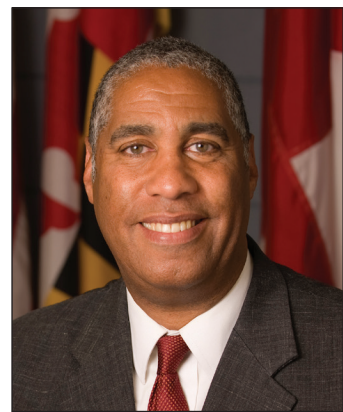
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By Authority of Ellen Carter, Treasurer



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Emmett Jordan

Cincinnati where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Urban Administration. He completed additional graduate course work in Public Administration at Seton Hall University.

Emmett’s career spans more than 25 years of experience providing professional services related to marketing, communications, strategic planning, and fund development to organizations and associations. He has worked with a wide variety of organizations including the Smithsonian Institution, University of Maryland at College Park, and the United Negro College Fund.

He represents Greenbelt on various committees and Boards of Directors for regional and national policy organizations including the National League of Cities, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, and the Maryland Municipal League.

He is an avid tennis player, enjoys recreational bicycle rides, and attends concerts, art exhibitions, and other cultural programs in his spare time.

Danielle “Li’l Dan” Celdran



Danielle Celdran

Danielle “Li’l Dan” Celdran grew up in all Greenbelt neighborhoods where she has lived for over 25 years. She currently resides in Boxwood Village with her husband “Big” Dan Taylor, homeschooled son Danzon and their three cats and dog adopted from Greenbelt Animal Shelter. In her free time, Li’l Dan enjoys spending time with family and friends, reading, music, karaoke, and hosting social events. She holds a B.S. in Kinesiology UMCP and Creative Leadership certification Maryland University

of Integrated Health.

From 1997 to the present she has worked for the Greenbelt Recreation Department as pool management, personal trainer, fitness instructor, customer service representative.

She has held volunteering positions with Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket & Pharmacy and GreenBeLT PRIDE (as board member), Greenbelt Mamas & Papas, Greenbelt Homeschoolers, Greenbelt Animal Shelter, Old Greenbelt Theatre, Berwyn Heights Vol. Fire Dept.

Li’l Dan believes in the power of an active and involved community. She hopes her candidacy will encourage all voices in local government to effect positive change by taking immediate action. She is running a finance-free campaign because she believes that public participation should not come with a price tag.

Edward Putens



Edward Putens

Ed Putens has been a Greenbelt resident since 1970. He has lived in all parts of the City, first in Springhill Lake (now Franklin Park), then with his family in Charlestown North, GHI, Windsor Green, and most recently Greenbrook Estates. He was born in Hazelton, Pennsylvania, grew up in Baltimore with adoptive parents, and earned a Microbiology degree from the University of Maryland.

Putens recently retired from a senior management position at the Food and Drug Administration after 40 years of federal service. He is now a consultant for FDA’s Center for Food Safety and Nutrition.

While on the Windsor Green Board of Directors, Putens became the first Greenbelt East resident elected to the City Council. He was a co-founder of the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC). On the Council, Putens took a leading role on law enforcement issues, consistently advocating for adequate police staffing. He initiated several public safety measures and the City’s Public Safety Advisory Committee. He took a leading role on senior citizen concerns and proposed the Advisory Committee

on Education. Most recently he has focused on bringing the FBI to Greenbelt, which he believes is still a realistic possibility.

Aaron Marcavitch



Aaron Marcavitch

Aaron Marcavitch is a historic preservation and community development professional with over fifteen years of experience. He has been the Executive Director of Anacostia Trails Heritage Area Inc. for the last seven years. He is also chair of the Capital Trails Coalition.

Born and raised in southwestern Pennsylvania, Marcavitch has a persistent interest in governance, moving from Eagle Scout, to scout leader, to leadership of various organizations in college, to Planning Board appointee on Nantucket. He has served four years on the Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI) board. He also was chair for the Ad Hoc Historic Preservation Task Force for GHI and is now chair of the GHI Legislative and Governmental committee. He also serves on the Prince George’s County Common Ownership Communities Commission.

He lives in historic Greenbelt where he is a past Greenbelt Elementary PTA president, Girl Scout Troop 27 leader, and Cub Scout Pack 202 Assistant Cubmaster. When he isn’t going to a meeting, he is with his wife Andrea, his daughter Beatrice, and son Graham, as well as their seeing eye dog-in-training, Yasha. In his free time, he enjoys travel, family camping, hiking, movies, reading, researching, and writing.

Judith F. Davis

Judith “J” Davis, currently Mayor Pro Tem, formerly was Mayor for 16 years, Greenbelt’s longest continuously serving Mayor. Prior to her election to Council in 1993, she was appointed to the Advisory Planning Board for 10 years, four years as Chair.

Moving to Greenbelt in 1975, J became active in local affairs. She was elected to Greenbriar’s Phase I Board of Directors for 14 years and was Carnival Chair for the Labor Day Festival Committee for 18 years.



J. Davis

As Mayor, J has represented Greenbelt on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Board of Directors and was elected Chair in 2005 and Corporate President in 2010. Davis is on COG’s Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee. Since 2005, she has been a member of the Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Policy Committee for the National League of Cities. Focusing on environmental issues, J brings back innovative ideas and best practices.

Davis is a Past President of the Maryland Municipal League, the Maryland Mayors Association, the Prince George’s County Municipal Association and the Prince George’s Elected Municipal Women. J strongly advocates for Greenbelt’s positions at all governmental levels.

J actively supports many Greenbelt organizations, including FOGM, FOGT, GIVES, Lions and American Legion Auxiliary.

Rodney Roberts



Rodney Roberts

Rodney M. Roberts, 59, is a life-long resident, who lives with his wife, Tara. He attended Prince George’s County schools and was active in sports with the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club.

Roberts is sole proprietor of a small business that specializes in on-site repairs of various types of equipment and vehicles.

In 26 years, Roberts has never missed a Council Meeting. Roberts volunteers his professional skills to groups such as Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange (GIVES) and individuals in need. Roberts successfully

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fought efforts to demolish two single family homes in Greenbelt, using his own funds and labor to do repairs on one.

Roberts proposed and worked through to implementation a community policing program that included the City's first bicycle patrols.

Roberts was a leader in the citizen movement that resulted in the City's acquisition of 184 acres of woodland, part of the original "Green Belt".

Roberts testifies on behalf of the City before State and County officials concerning development, transportation, recreational, environmental and fiscal issues. He represents the City on the Washington Council of Governments Transportation Planning Board. He is also City liaison to the Youth Advisory Board and Forest Preserve Advisory Board.

Leta Mach



Leta Mach

In 2003, Leta Mach was elected to City Council. She has served on the National League of Cities Board of Directors and Human Development Committee. She serves on the Maryland Municipal League Engagement and Outreach Committee. She is a member and past chair of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Air Quality Committee and Clean Air Partners and serves on the State of Maryland Air Quality Control Advisory Council.

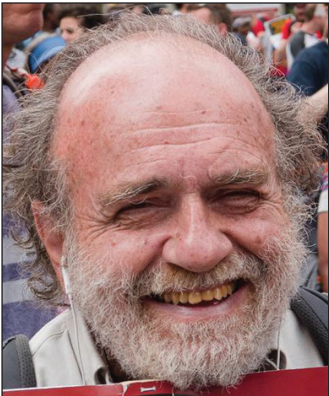
In 2000, Mach was chosen Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. She has served as Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School treasurer, Greenbelt Elementary School and Eleanor Roosevelt High PTA president, News Review reporter, Labor Day Festival volunteer, GHI Audit Committee chair, Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative secretary, Greenbelt museum docent and Greenbelt Community Foundation board member. For Greenbelt's 50th anniversary, she chaired the Oral History Committee and wrote chapter two of Greenbelt: History of a New Town.

Her work experience includes teaching social studies at Suitland High School (1969-1973), GHI Information Specialist (1981-1987) and National Cooperative Business Association director of communications and cooperative education (1987-2003).

Mach grew up in a military family and graduated from Bladensburg High. She holds a B.A. with Honor--major in history and minors in English and education--from Michigan State University.

Bill Orleans

Bill Orleans is still a jerk; let incumbent council be as honest, if not as accurate, in assessing themselves; let residents of Greenbelt be as honest, if not as accurate, in assessing themselves.



Bill Orleans

Insufficiently humiliated from this exercise two years ago, Orleans is again, indeed a candidate for Greenbelt council. He is serious. He would very much like to be elected to council, where he would hope to help reclaim the practice of democracy in Greenbelt and also where he would hope to help to reclaim the practice of democracy on the transportation planning board (TPB). (If elected he would still challenge to a duel, in Roosevelt Center, any other elected member of council interested in being Greenbelt's designated member of the TPB; method of engagement of their choice.) There is some question as to the number of words in his 2011 bio, 1,300 plus or 1,400 plus, but there is no question that number exceeds the News Review's apparently adopted policy that bios this year not exceed 450. Those were good little stories and that bio was totally revelatory of the development of Orleans' character which simultaneously is serious and playful in pursuing his contribution to the commonweal.

He hasn't the inclination or the time to whack 600 or 700 words from it. Orleans has not been, is not now nor would he be a leader in pursuing the commonweal; his role is more that of laggard, yet directing our attention to both the nakedness

of our emperors and to our own hypocrisies in our respective contributions in that pursuit. (Or maybe we just say that we care about this or that or maybe we just don't care at all.)

His 2011 biography, mostly, if metaphorically accurate can be found in some version or another at BillOrleans.com or new and improved at greenbeltmd.gov. (Previously published in the October 31, 2013 and October 29, 2015 issues of the News Review.)

George Boyce

George Boyce is well known as the founder of the Greenbelt MakerSpace, an activity center where his vision of creating a community sci/tech program was born. The MakerSpace has expanded to include arts and crafts and is now operating as the community's newest cooperative.

Boyce was raised in eastern Washington state, growing up on a small farm with his retired father and schoolteacher mother. He left in 1977 to study computer science at Cornell. He remained in rural upstate New York to manage several technical teams supporting academic computing, a supercomputer site, and the



George Boyce

state's regional Internet service.

Boyce moved to the metro area in 1994 to become the founder of the AOL Internet Operations division. He left AOL to form a venture capital investment company but, after the market crash, he returned to work for GAO and Discovery before moving to Greenbelt.

At Goddard, Boyce was the technical lead to provide network services to NASA's many projects. His team supported the network management operation center and a worldwide network for command and control and science data collection.

Boyce retired in May to work fulltime as a volunteer at the MakerSpace and to develop plans

to serve on city council.

Colin Byrd



Colin Byrd

Colin Byrd is a lifelong Greenbelter, and he has attended every city council meeting for more than the past year, presenting several requests on such issues as the environment, discrimination, and gun control.

Colin is a member of the Greenbelt Climate Action Network, Indivisible Greenbelt, and the Greenbelt Racial Equality Alliance.

Colin is a committed

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**RE-ELECT**

**ED PUTENS**

**-- STILL WORKING FOR YOU! --**

**Authority: John Winfrey, Treasurer**

*Where is I in this photo?*

**Re-Elect**

**Judith F. 'J' Davis**

**November 7th**

**Always Committed to Community!**

**Questions? Concerns? Contact J at [jfintakdavis@aol.com](mailto:jfintakdavis@aol.com)**

By Authority: Debbie Cooley, Treasurer

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**But J is EVERYWHERE in Greenbelt!**



Greenbelt History in Photos

Buddy Attick at Work

by Jim Giese

*This is the 21st in a series of articles with photos depicting the early history of Greenbelt.*

The undated and unnamed Library of Congress photograph (top) was found by resident Mark Hanyok. It is probably one of Carl Mydans' photographs. We think the young, smartly-uniformed security guard standing erect holding a stop-and-go sign in front of a guard house is Albert S. Attick, well known to every old-time Greenbelter as Buddy.

As previously mentioned, Buddy Attick grew up in a house located just south of the intersection of the Capital Beltway with Kenilworth Avenue. He told me that he got a job as a security guard with the Greenbelt project as it was being constructed. Later, when the city government was established, City Manager Roy Braden hired Buddy as a police officer, one of the city's first employees. Buddy and his young bride, Gladys, also became one of the first Greenbelt families.

As a farm boy, Buddy knew how to handle horses and he spent much time patrolling the city and surrounding woodland on horseback. Most important was patrolling the woodland path between A Block, the westernmost part of the new town, and Greenbelt High School located on Edmonston Road across the

street from the Town of Berwyn Heights (now the French Immersion School). As a police officer, Buddy got to know everyone in town and his cheerfulness and friendliness made him popular with all, even the young miscreants he corralled and released to parents after admonishments.

After World War II, Buddy transferred to the Public Works Department where he eventually became superintendent and then director. The second photo of Buddy with his Jeep was taken in 1966. Buddy still roamed the town, but now on wheels and more concerned with potholes than offenders. He retired upon completion of 40 years of service to the city and, following his death, the city council named the lake park in his honor.

In the photo below, the metal building behind Buddy is one of the sheds first erected during Greenbelt's construction to store building material. Later, a shed became a furniture store for the specially made furniture that new residents could either purchase or rent. Buddy was a salesman there for a while.

Then two buildings were moved over near the new sewage treatment plant where they became the city's public works facility. Used primarily to house equipment and store supplies, one small room served as Buddy's of-

fice, the only part of the building with heat, provided by a wood-burning stove. When the Maryland State Highway Administration condemned the land for its District Engineer Office, the city built its present facility beside the lake park.

Also visible in the photo are the two old city buses, no longer in service once other bus service was provided to the city in 1964. With most residents working in Washington and public transportation lacking, the city tried various transportation alternatives over the years, the last being to U.S. 1 in College Park, where D.C. Transit ran regular bus service into the city.

(Information for this story is based upon author's recollections.)

Bariatric Surgery and Weight Loss Lecture

Doctors Community Hospital will present a lecture on Weight Loss and Bariatric Surgery on Monday, November 6 from 9 to 10 a.m. This free lecture is presented by Dr. Hitesh Amin, medical director of the Bariatric and Weight Loss Center. The meeting will be held at 8100 Good Luck Road, North Building, 5th Floor, Lanham. The lecture is free but registration is required by calling 240-965-4405.



Buddy Attick (see information at left)

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What Does Economic Development Look Like to You?

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- Support Cooperative Enterprise
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- Incubate Startup Businesses
- Encourage Business Reinvestment



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- YES to Amtrak/MARC Improvments
- YES to Smart Transportation Projects



- FBI brings 11,000 federal employees, behind a security fence, with no tax revenue, and few local benefits.



- My Leonardo vision brings a Performance Arts Center, artist studios, a science complex, and an engineering facility for tax revenue and local jobs.
- Council asked Beltway Plaza to revitalize their property but twice rejected their plans for a modern town center design.
- Redevelopment of old retail sites and reinvestment by the property owners should be encouraged. We want better shops and restaurants in town.



- We need to have a long-term plan for Historic Greenbelt and Roosevelt Center. We need an economic development team!
- Visions developed by the community, such as during the 2007 Greener Greenbelt Charrette, should be kept alive, worked on, and moved forward.



# Greenbelt Memories

by Sharon Taylor Allemann

Sharon Taylor Allemann is a Greenbelt pioneer currently living in Huntington Beach, California. Her family moved into Greenbelt in 1937 when she was a few months old. Allemann reminisces, “I have always thought that Greenbelt is a very special place. One day I was sitting and thought about how Greenbelt was when I was a youth. I wrote down some things about my life in Greenbelt. Greenbelt and I are now 80 years old.”

Remember When:

Halloween came around and each youth made up a costume? A bought outfit was not the best. A cowboy hat and a neckerchief made a good robber or an old sheet served for a ghost. An old, too big coat with dad’s old hat was great for a bum. Little children and babies stayed home while the older children went trick-or-treating. Some were out for mischief and carried soap to mark windows. Masks were black and covered only the eyes, but if the string holding it on broke, one could buy a new one. We had a parade at our school and prizes were given for the best outfits. The teachers found good scary stories to read to us. I remember when the North End School students walked in costume to the Center School. We then would parade in the center of town.

Remember When:

The doctor came to your house if you were ill? Of course you had to have something serious for him to come. He had

an office in one of the houses on Ridge Road. If you thought the problem was contagious, he certainly came to you and often he left a sign to be displayed on your front door that warned others that the house was quarantined. My sister, brother and I all had scarlet fever at the same time. That sign was up for a long time and mother couldn’t even go out to the grocery, but a neighbor bought some food and left it on our back porch. When I sustained a bad cut on my hand, Officer Buddy Attick drove me to the doctor (my family, like many, had no car) where I bravely received several stitches with black thread while squeezing the officer’s thumb.

Remember When:

Mom brought home the butter but it was white? Or was it oleo? A little red pill was in the plastic bag with the butter so we could have fun mixing the pill into the white butter and that made it yellow! It was great fun for the kids to mix up all that nice greasy spread. Now we could tell everyone that butter is actually white and still tasted like butter! Putting the white stuff on our toast made us eat a little slower but in time we adjusted and looked forward to the day when it was our turn to do the mixing. I always wondered if soon our color pellet would cause the butter to be green or maybe blue or a nice purple.

Remember When:

The North End School had a very high, very long slide in the

school playground? It was high and scary but it was metal and the weather affected it so sliding wasn’t good. The students found a way to make it slide as it should. Our secret was in using waxed paper. One small square made that slide faster than any we had ever used. We could sit on the paper and slip right to the bottom or work together and use our pieces of paper to rub our slide surface so everyone could enjoy the fun. The teachers didn’t share our joy. They thought we had made the slide dangerous, so we came after school and on Saturdays to shine up one of our favorite pieces of playground equipment.

Remember When:

During the summer the youngsters would get out their wagons and head for the Co-op store?

Many of the women who did their weekly shopping needed help getting the groceries to their homes. That’s where the youths came in handy. When someone was ready to go home they could just ask one of the youths to carry her groceries to her home in a wagon. She’d then pay the kid whatever she thought was appropriate and that young person would return to the store hoping for another customer. The general pay depended on the distance and how many hills. The highest pay was about 50 cents, but many paid about 25 cents.

Remember When:

The Japanese beetles came to Greenbelt? They were everywhere – all over the hedges

that surrounded our homes (no fences allowed but green hedges surrounded every row). Beetle traps were placed in some of the town’s yards. The beetles could be put in Mason jars, and when they were full each jarful was turned into the police station where a monetary amount was awarded. There was one bird that loved these beetles – the starling. These birds simply love Japanese beetles! So now the birds were brought in and the problem was solved. But we developed a new problem – when you interfere with nature you create new problems. The beetle problem disappeared but the birds would gather on top of many Washington buildings and when we had any parade the birds would make a mess of the buildings and sidewalks.

## Apple Festival And Craft Show

Emmanuel United Methodist Women (UMW) presents a Craft Show and Apple Festival Saturday, November 4 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 1146 Cedar Lane in Beltsville. The bake sale will feature apple pies, apple butter, apples and pecans. Find beautiful crafts at the Upper Crust Boutique, with prices starting at five dollars. Hunt for treasures in the Second-Time-Around Room (sorry, no clothing). For more information about this UMW fundraiser, call the church office at 301-937-7114.

## Upcoming Events At the New Deal

Sunday, November 5, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Deaf Group Weekly Brunch. Deaf and hearing people socialize together using sign language. Newcomers are welcome. 7 to 9 p.m., Mary Shaver and Zach Sweeney. Whether soothing with a soft soul ballad or energizing with traditional hard core blues standards, Shaver and Sweeney are forces with which to be reckoned.

Monday, November 6, the café is open from 7 to 11 a.m. for Vigilante coffee and Uptown Bakers pastries.


Tuesday, November 7, 7 to 9 p.m., The New Old Jamboree hosted by Ruthie and the Wranglers. New songs, old songs and special guests.

Wednesday, November 8, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Annapolis Jazztet. An exciting variety of sophisticated original musical arrangements and a sensational repertoire of classic songs, complimented by the strong vocals of Nick Pastelak, appeal to persons of all ages.

Thursday, November 9, noon to 2 p.m., Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft. 7 to 10 p.m., Open Mic with James and Martha.

Friday, November 10, 6:30 to 8 p.m., jazz and blues piano by John Guernsey. 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., Ursula Ricks Project. With astounding, sultry vocals, a fresh approach to songwriting and a funky and gritty performance, powerhouse Ricks leads her soul and blues band to uncharted territory.





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# Susan Stewart

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Barbara Stevens  
Janet Walenta  
Keith Zevallos

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We elect leaders that **empower** the community to “get things done.”


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— Susan S.

**Matt Dernoga:** “I’ve known Susan for ten years. She is a passionate progressive who cares deeply about her community. I know she’ll make a fantastic council member.”

**Colleen McAndrew:** “I support new and fresh opinions on our city council & I feel that Susan would be a great representation of how Greenbelt should be growing.”

**Keith Zevallos:** “With her experience as a music teacher, she’ll support the arts.”



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By the authority of Melinda Brady, Treasurer





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# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, [www.greenbeltmd.gov/police](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police)  
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

**Robbery**  
October 19, 6:16 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A man approached a woman in a parking lot, pushed her and grabbed her purse from her hands. He then fled on foot toward Greenbelt Road. The woman was not injured.

**Counterfeit Arrest**  
October 19, 10:35 a.m., 6200 block Greenbelt Road. A 24-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with counterfeit check, passing a counterfeit check and other related charges after officers responded to a report of a woman at Capital One Bank attempting to pass a fraudulent check. She was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

**Theft**  
October 22, 3:30 p.m., 6200 block Greenbelt Road. A cell phone was taken from a purse at Jo-Ann Fabrics and Crafts.

**Burglary**  
October 24, 3:34 p.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway. The sliding glass door of a residence was broken in an apparent attempt to enter the home. Entry was not gained.

October 24, 7:20 p.m., 7800 block Mandan Road. A residence was entered after breaking out the rear sliding glass door. Three video game players, money and a safe containing a handgun were taken.

October 25, 10 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court. The front door of a residence was opened possibly by using a key. Entry was not gained because the inside door chain was still intact.

**Vehicle Crime**  
A black 2002 Topline trailer

with Md. tag 141614X was taken from the 100 block Westway. Two push lawnmowers and a riding mower were on it at the time of the theft. A black 2009 Kawasaki ZX-1000 motorcycle with D.C. tag MR6783 was taken from the 7800 block Mandan Road.

Thirteen thefts from vehicles were reported. Six tags from Md. and one from Penn. were taken. Two from Md. were temporary rear T318717 (7800 block Hanover Parkway and T332769 (6700 block Village Park Drive). Three from Md. were rear 985M434 (7600 block Ora Glen Drive), 3MC8087 (5800 block Cherrywood Terrace) and Dealer rear 2A22497 (8000 block Greenbelt Station Parkway). Rear Penn. KHH6960 was taken from the 6100 block Breezewood Court.

Thefts occurred from three unlocked vehicles. In the 5700 block Cherrywood Lane money and a cell phone were taken. A man observed taking the property is described as white, wearing jeans, flip-flop-type shoes, a long-sleeved shirt and carrying a book bag. The other two thefts were in the 6400 block Capitol Drive (cell phone, laptop computer and DJ equipment) and the 100 block Westway (purse). In the 6300 block Golden Triangle Drive a video projector, money and sunglasses were taken from a possibly unlocked vehicle.

Two thefts occurred after windows had been broken out, in the 7800 block Mandan Road (embroidery machine, jewelry, credit cards and money) and in the 100 block Westway (construction tools). Construction tools were also taken in the 9100 block Springhill Lane after the driver's door was forced open.

# Greenway Center Break-Ins

by Mary Loutsch

According to George Mathews, Greenbelt Police Department public information liaison, officers responded to an alarm at Pollo Cabana in Greenway Center on October 30 at 4:16 a.m. Upon arrival, officers found that the front door was smashed and a register was missing with an undisclosed amount of money inside. With further investigation, officers also found the front door of Hair Cuttery was smashed, but nothing was taken. No one was found inside either location. There are no leads at this time.

Mary Loutsch is the Dorothy Sucher intern writing for the News Review.



Front doors were smashed at Pollo Cabana (above) and the Hair Cuttery (left) in Greenway Center on October 30.

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Saturday, November 4, The World of Winter Birds. A park ranger will discuss the birds' source of survival during the winter. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 10 a.m.

Saturday, November 4, Outdoor Stewardship Volunteer Event. Join the Invasive Plant team as they monitor and repel the growing threat of invasive plants in Greenbelt Park. Learn valuable information that not only helps the park but can help protect vulnerable species in the region. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 11 a.m. Event lasts until 2 p.m.

Sunday, November 5, Campfire Program. How the U.S. Army Helped Save National Parks: Salute to Veterans. How did National Parks survive the early years? A big thanks goes to the U.S. Army. Learn more about the early history of national parks. Campground guests and the public are welcome to meet under the stars for a traditional NPS campfire program in Loop B of the campground at 5 p.m.



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Moffitt and Andrew Whitehead as Civilians of the Year for providing specialized tactical emergency medical support and training to the police department.

Trooper First Class Samuel Jackson, a three-year veteran of the Maryland State Police, College Park Barrack, was recognized for his consistently high-quality police work including increased driving-under-the-influence arrests and controlled dangerous substances seizures.

U.S. Park Police Officer Benjamin Tomasiello was honored with a second consecutive award acknowledging his record of arrests for impaired and reckless driving, carjacking and excessive speed. His investigative skill in fatal vehicle crashes provided not only assistance to investigators but assisted families of those lost in the accidents.

**Firefighters of the Year**  
Lieutenant Andrew Moffitt of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Company 35 added special service to his daily department requirements. Moffitt volunteered his time to prepare memorial services for two beloved, deceased members. While coordinating his daily firefighter duties he managed the myriad details for the memorial services to ensure that the deceased were remembered with the dignity and honor they had earned as valued members of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department.

Firefighter Joseph Brown of the Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad was recognized for his consistent staffing availability over and beyond his normal schedule that helped the department provide fire support service for the Berwyn Heights and Greenbelt communities.

**Employee of the Year**  
Tim Houchens, supervisor and manager in the department for more than 30 years, is regarded as one of the department's most dependable and hard-working employees. During the past year, in addition to handling city facility plumbing, electrical, heating and ventilation issues, he played a vital role in the completion of two large capital projects and one State of Maryland grant project.

"I believe the members of our communities admire and respect your service and sacrifices," Moore said, ending the evening's honors. "This evening's program is an opportunity to let you know how much we appreciate all that you do for us."

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**Fenced Corner Lot** Backs to protected woods. Hardwood throughout, refinished hardwood flooring, new opened kitchen & more. **\$105,900**  
**Estate Sale** Remodeled 2-bedroom GHI townhome in Greenbelt with new appliances, hardwood floors and more. Ceramic-tiled bath. **\$119,900**  
**Two Story Addition** Large corner lot with 16'x17' deck that backs to protected woodlands. Addition- 10'x17' BR upstairs & family room on main level.  
**3 Bedroom Townhome** Walk to Roosevelt Center. Hardwood floors throughout. Ceiling fans and pull down attic stairs. Fenced front & back yards. **UNDER CONTRACT**  
**Large Corner Lot** Freshly renovated by GHI. One main level garden area and shed. New kitchen w/dishwasher & lots of cabinets. **\$129,900**  
**Brick Townhome** 3 bedroom GHI townhome w/ fenced backyard. Washer and dryer on bedroom level for easy use. Value-priced at **\$156,900!**  
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# Greenbelt Community Questionnaire 2017

At election time, residents are asked to take a few minutes to complete the following questionnaire. The information obtained will be useful to the newly elected City Council and City staff. Your confidential responses will be consolidated in a report for general distribution. If a question is not applicable, please leave it blank. Please place completed questionnaires in the box provided at the polling location or send it to the City Office at 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770.. **You may also complete the survey at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov) NO MAILING REQUIRED!**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. **Residency:**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Apartment \_\_\_\_\_ Townhouse  
\_\_\_\_\_ Condominium \_\_\_\_\_ GHI  
\_\_\_\_\_ Detached Single Family Home

2. **Do you?** \_\_\_\_\_ Own \_\_\_\_\_ Rent

3. **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_ 18-29 \_\_\_\_\_ 61-74  
\_\_\_\_\_ 30-44 \_\_\_\_\_ 75+  
\_\_\_\_\_ 45-60

4. **How many years have you lived in Greenbelt?**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Less than 1 year \_\_\_\_\_ 11-20 yrs.  
\_\_\_\_\_ 1-5 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ 21-30 yrs  
\_\_\_\_\_ 6-10 yr \_\_\_\_\_ More than 30 yrs.

5. **Employment Status (Please check all that apply.)**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Full-Time \_\_\_\_\_ Part-Time  
\_\_\_\_\_ Unemployed \_\_\_\_\_ Retired  
\_\_\_\_\_ Stay at home parent  
\_\_\_\_\_ Work from home

6. **Where do you work?**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Greenbelt  
\_\_\_\_\_ Prince George's County  
\_\_\_\_\_ Baltimore  
\_\_\_\_\_ Washington, D.C.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Montgomery County  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other

7. **How long is your commute to work?**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Less than 30 min. \_\_\_\_\_ 60-90 min  
\_\_\_\_\_ 30-60 min \_\_\_\_\_ 90+ min.

8. **Please prioritize (1-3 your top three modes of transportation**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Personal Automobile  
\_\_\_\_\_ Carpool/Vanpool  
\_\_\_\_\_ Bicycling/Walking  
\_\_\_\_\_ Taxi/Uber/Lyft  
\_\_\_\_\_ Metrorail  
\_\_\_\_\_ MetroBus  
\_\_\_\_\_ TheBus  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other

## CURRENT QUESTIONS

1. **Should the City Council's term of office be changed from 2 years to 4 years?**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

2. **Should non-US citizens be allowed to vote in City Elections** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

3. **Should the Baltimore Washington Parkway be widened to six lanes?**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

3. **Should the Beltway be widened to allow express toll lanes** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

## PUBLIC SAFETY

1. **Please rate your satisfaction over the last 2 years with the following services.**  
(5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Police Presence  
\_\_\_\_\_ Police Responsiveness  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dispatcher Responsiveness  
\_\_\_\_\_ Overall Police Performance  
\_\_\_\_\_ Overall Police Employee Competence  
\_\_\_\_\_ Police Attitude & Behavior  
\_\_\_\_\_ Towards Citizens  
\_\_\_\_\_ Animal Control  
\_\_\_\_\_ Traffic Control  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fire & Rescue  
\_\_\_\_\_ Parking Enforcement

2. **Do you have any concern about safety and security within Greenbelt? If so, please list:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. **If you have contacted the Police Dept. in the last 2 years, was the employee polite and courteous?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

4. **Did the police employee assist you satisfactorily?**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Don't Know

5. **If you have any suggestions for improving police services, please list them under General Comments #4.**

## PUBLIC WORKS

1. **Please rate your satisfaction over the last 2 years with the following services.**  
(5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Street Maintenance  
\_\_\_\_\_ Street Lighting  
\_\_\_\_\_ Street Cleaning  
\_\_\_\_\_ Snow Removal  
\_\_\_\_\_ Sidewalk Maintenance  
\_\_\_\_\_ Crosswalks  
\_\_\_\_\_ Bike Lanes  
\_\_\_\_\_ Park Maintenance  
\_\_\_\_\_ Refuse Collection  
\_\_\_\_\_ Recycling  
\_\_\_\_\_ Horticulture/Planting  
\_\_\_\_\_ Building Maintenance  
\_\_\_\_\_ Bus Stops

2. **If you have contacted Public Works in the last 2 years, was the employee polite and courteous?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

## GREENBELT CARES /SOCIAL SERVICES

1. **Have you or any of your family utilized any of the services listed in #3 in the last 2 years?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

2. **Did you know that the City provides the services below?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

3. **If yes, please rate your satisfaction with them.** (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Counseling (individual, family or group)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Crisis Intervention Counseling  
\_\_\_\_\_ Tutoring  
\_\_\_\_\_ Job Bank  
\_\_\_\_\_ GED Program  
\_\_\_\_\_ Babysitting Workshop  
\_\_\_\_\_ Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program

3. **If you plan to remain in your home as you age, which of the following might you require:**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Online Advice & Support  
\_\_\_\_\_ Home Modifications  
\_\_\_\_\_ Activities for Homebound  
\_\_\_\_\_ 1st Floor Bathroom  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

4. **How soon would you need these services?**  
\_\_\_\_ Now \_\_\_\_ 1-3 Years \_\_\_\_ 4-7 Years  
\_\_\_\_ 8+ Years

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ CODE ENFORCEMENT

Have you had contact with the Community Development/Code Enforcement Dept. (Inspection, permit, tall grass, structure complaint etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

2. **Was the Community Development/Code Enforcement employee polite and courteous?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

3. **Did the Community Development/Code Enforcement employee assist you satisfactorily?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

## EDUCATION

1. **If you have school age children, please rate the schools they currently attend.**  
(5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Greenbelt Elementary  
\_\_\_\_\_ Springhill Lake Elementary  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dora Kennedy French Immersion  
\_\_\_\_\_ Magnolia Elementary  
\_\_\_\_\_ Turning Point Academy  
\_\_\_\_\_ Greenbelt Middle School  
\_\_\_\_\_ Eleanor Roosevelt High School  
\_\_\_\_\_ Home Schooling  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Using the same scale as #1 above, please rate the Prince George's School System overall.** \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Please rank the following questions.**  
(5=Strongly Agree, 4=Agree, 3=Neutral, 2=Disagree, 1=Strongly Disagree)  
\_\_\_\_\_ The City should continue to provide Science & Reading Clubs  
\_\_\_\_\_ The City should continue to provide grants to Greenbelt schools  
\_\_\_\_\_ County taxes should be increased to fund education.

4. **Given limited funding, which should be emphasized by the County?**  
(Please select only one.)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Charter Schools  
\_\_\_\_\_ Magnet Schools  
\_\_\_\_\_ Neighborhood Schools

## GREENBELT MUSEUM

Have you or a member of your household visited the museum or attended a museum activity in the past 2 years?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

## RECREATION

1. **Please rate your satisfaction with any facilities which you or your family have utilized** (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Aquatic & Fitness Center  
\_\_\_\_\_ Athletic Fields  
\_\_\_\_\_ Community Center  
\_\_\_\_\_ Springhill Lake Rec. Center  
\_\_\_\_\_ Youth Center  
\_\_\_\_\_ Parks \_\_\_\_\_ Trails  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dog Park \_\_\_\_\_ Skate Park  
\_\_\_\_\_ Playgrounds  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Please rate your satisfaction with any activities which you or your family have attended:** (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fitness classes  
\_\_\_\_\_ Pre-School classes  
\_\_\_\_\_ Youth/Adult classes  
\_\_\_\_\_ Camp programs  
\_\_\_\_\_ Visual Art programs  
\_\_\_\_\_ Senior programs  
\_\_\_\_\_ Performing Art programs  
\_\_\_\_\_ Aquatics programs  
\_\_\_\_\_ Special Events (Artful Afternoon, Fall Fest, July 4th, Festival of Lights, Celebration of Spring, etc.)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other (Please Specify): \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Please check any programs which you or a member of your household are likely to attend within the next 2 years. (Check all that apply)**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Pre-school Activities  
\_\_\_\_\_ Children's Afterschool Activities  
\_\_\_\_\_ Children's Weekend Activities  
\_\_\_\_\_ Children's Drop-In Activities  
\_\_\_\_\_ Home School/School Enrichment Activities  
\_\_\_\_\_ Family Recreation Activities  
\_\_\_\_\_ – Weekends  
\_\_\_\_\_ Drop-In Activities  
\_\_\_\_\_ Adult Classes or Leagues  
\_\_\_\_\_ Senior Activities  
\_\_\_\_\_ Special Events (Artful Afternoons, Fall Fest, Jly 4th, Festival of Lights, Celebration of Spring, etc.)

1. **How would you prefer to receive information about City programs and services? (Please rank in priority order 1-9; 1=top preference)**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Greenbelt TV \_\_\_\_\_ Mail  
\_\_\_\_\_ City Newsletter \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail  
\_\_\_\_\_ Greenbelt News Review  
\_\_\_\_\_ Facebook \_\_\_\_\_ Greenbeltmd.gov  
\_\_\_\_\_ YouTube \_\_\_\_\_ Washington Post  
\_\_\_\_\_ WTOP radio \_\_\_\_\_ Local TV News  
\_\_\_\_\_ Posters/Flyers  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Please rate your satisfaction with Greenbelt's efforts to publicize and broadcast official information and City events?** \_\_\_\_\_  
(5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)

3. **Do you make use of the City's website at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)?**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
If so, what for? \_\_\_\_\_ Watch Meetings  
\_\_\_\_\_ Calendar \_\_\_\_\_ Watch Videos  
\_\_\_\_\_ Documents \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

4. **What service would you like to see on the City Website?** \_\_\_\_\_

5. **Have you used the video streaming/on-demand section of the City website** \_\_\_\_\_  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

6. **Have you watched any of the programming, including Council meetings, offered on the City's Municipal Access channel over the past 2 years?**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

## CITY SERVICES & TAXES

1. **How do you rate the value of City services and programs for your tax dollars?** \_\_\_\_\_  
(5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)

2. **The City has limited ability to raise revenues other than through property taxes or fees. In light of this fact, would you support a tax rate increase in order to:**  
Maintain current City services/programs \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
Increase City services/programs \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
Provide fair compensation to employees \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Participate in green initiatives, greenhouse gas reduction, solar power, battery powered equipment, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

3. **In general, should City services be (choose one):**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Kept at the same level  
\_\_\_\_\_ Reduced \_\_\_\_\_ Increased

4. **If the City had to reduce services/programs, which ones would you suggest and why?** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## GENERAL COMMENTS

1. **What is your opinion of the condition/usability of pedestrian and bicyclist infrastructure (sidewalks, crosswalks, bike lanes, bus stops, signage, etc. in Greenbelt?**  
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2. **Describe what you like most about the Greenbelt community.**  
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3. **Describe what you like least about the Greenbelt Community.**  
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4. **Are there any improvements to the City or new City Programs you would suggest?**  
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5. **Other Comments:**  
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